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CHINESE CABINET RESIGNS

Chu Cheng Named To Succeed Ho Ying-chin MOVE TO RIGHT SEEN

Canton, May 30.
The Acting President, General Li Tsung-jen, this morning accepted the resignation of General Ho Ying-chin's Cabinet and nominated Mr. Chu Cheng, former President of the Judicial Yuan, to form a new Cabinet.

General Ho's Cabinet decided to resign en bloc at a meeting held here at midnight last night.

He announced that the Cabinet's resignation at a meeting of the Central Political Council this morning, and the Acting President told the Council that General Ho's decision had been accepted by the Kuomintang policy-makers.

Emergency Canton Curfew

Canton, May 30.
An emergency curfew was imposed throughout the city last night following reports that subversive elements intended to create disturbances. Civil and military police patrolled the main streets with rifles and pistols ready for action. All vehicles were stopped and the passengers thoroughly searched. No pedestrians were allowed on the streets—even those with curfew passes. All residences of high-ranking Kuomintang officials were closely guarded by armed troops—Reuter-AAP.

Resumption Of Air, Sea Service Asked

Shanghai, May 30.
Foreign and Chinese shipping and airline companies sought Communist permission to resume service to and from Shanghai today as the city's new administrators instructed the post office to accept mail for delivery abroad.

In re-establishing mail service the Communists gave no indication how it is to be conveyed abroad, and transport companies immediately asked permission to reopen their services. The Communists were reported to be considering the applications. Some American shipping officials believed foreign vessels may be allowed to navigate the Yangtze and Whangpoo Rivers to Shanghai soon in view of the fact that the American President Lines' President Fillmore was permitted to go to Tientsin shortly after the city's occupation three months ago. The company spokesman said the firm will try to bring in a ship as soon as possible if the Communists give their approval. He said the first American vessels likely to return here are the President Wilson and President Polk, round June 9. As far as it is known no Chinese freight or passenger vessels have yet resumed operation on the Whangpoo where a survey is underway to determine the effects of the military operations and the number of vessels scuttled by the Nationalists before they evacuated. Officials of international airlines are meeting this afternoon to discuss contact with the authorities—United Press.

Party Approval

Chu has not indicated whether he is willing to take up the post and was not available to reporters all today, report United Press. A Kuomintang source pointed out that the reappointment was not an appointment but a form of party approval which must be granted to any candidate for the position in the prevailing system of Chinese politics. General Ho Ying-chin has indicated his desire to resign from the premiership which he has held for only two months. But the sources said this does not necessarily mean a complete change in the cabinet personnel. Premier Ho has not offered to resign as Defence Minister, which post he held concurrently with that of the premiership.

The appointment of Mr. Chu Cheng as premier would indicate a definite shift to the right in government policy. One

No Support From Govt On HK Plan

London, May 30.
A suggestion by the London Liberal evening newspaper, "Star" tonight that Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General for South East Asia, might be given charge of supervising Hong Kong's defence, found no support in Government circles.

These quarters said that Mr. MacDonald was expected to continue his overall duties as Commissioner-General for Southeast Asia. The Star stated that during his present visit to London, Mr. MacDonald had talked with Mr. Attlee and leading Cabinet military advisers.

"Detailed plans for defending Hong Kong, whatever happens elsewhere in China, are complete and security measures are already being introduced," the Star said. It added that in Whitehall, it was believed that the Chinese Communist authorities would not risk a clash with the strong British forces assembling there, but that no chances were being taken. —Reuter.

of the oldest members of the Kuomintang, he is generally regarded with Professor Yu Yui-jen, Chou Lu and Li Wen-fan as one of the party elder statesmen, and was one of the candidates for president when the National Assembly met last year in Nanking. He has always been a strong Chiang supporter in party tussles.

It is also pointed out that if Chiang Kai-shek returns to lead the party his influence in government affairs would be felt more strongly with Mr. Chu Cheng in the premiership. Chu Chia-hua, a member of the five-man delegation which went to Ma Kung Island, reported to the C.P.C. meeting on his interview with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Chiang Returning

Yu Yu-jen, who was also a member of the delegation, told Reuter today that the Generalissimo will come to Canton within the next few days to resume his post as head of the Kuomintang Party. The Generalissimo, according to Yu, will support General Li Tsung-jen to implement the Presidential powers, but will not hold any post in the Government.

Apart from approving Yu as the next Premier, the Legislative Yuan tomorrow will take up foreign affairs, particularly relations with Soviet Russia and the question of alleged Soviet violations of the Chinese-Soviet treaty of friendship and alliance of August, 1945.

After the meeting tomorrow the Legislative Yuan will go into recess until September. While as yet the Communists show no vigorous push to South China, the President's office, the Executive Yuan and the Minister of Defence are reported to be ready at short notice to move to Kweichow or Chungking. Preparations for removal are completed although no definite date is fixed. This is, however, subject to decision of the Cabinet.

The new financial and currency issues may be announced on June 1. The people here are no longer excited over the new currency as they get along well with silver dollars and the Hong Kong dollar. The public utilities accept payment in Hong Kong dollars and officials are paid their salaries in the same currency. Observers agree that the fate of Canton depends on unity and co-ordination which may be brought about by the next Premier and the possible visit of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

No Policy Change

The Acting Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yeh, today admitted the possibility that the United States and Britain might recognise the Communist government of China, but added that no change in Nationalist foreign policy contemplated.

Speaking to government employees at the weekly memorial service, Yeh said foreign embassies were remaining in Communist territories to serve the interests of their nationals there but that so far no foreign relations on the part of the Communists can be said to exist.

He said the policy of the United States and Britain is against Communism in other parts of the world. He believed, however, that they are confused as to the exact nature of Communism in China. —Reuter.

Assures Foreigners In Shanghai

Shanghai, May 30.
An assurance that foreign lives and property in Shanghai would be accorded adequate protection was given by Mr. Chang Han-fu, chief of the Foreign Affairs Department of the Shanghai Military Control Commission, in a statement today as the metropolis took further strides towards normalcy.

Mr. Chang pointed out that although the Chinese People's Government has not yet established relations with foreign countries they have adopted a policy towards foreigners as enunciated by Mao Tse-tung and Chu Teh, in their recent eight-point declaration which pledged inter alia protection for the lives and property of foreign nationals, who were urged to carry on their business as usual and faithfully observe the laws and decrees issued by the People's Government.

CMC Taken Over

Control of the Chinese Maritime Customs was formally transferred this morning and with it the river police and harbour installations. Meanwhile, it is learned that the authorities are planning to issue new postage stamps to commemorate the liberation of the Nanking-Shanghai area.

The new arrival commander, General Sung Ze-land, appealed to Shanghai's six million population to co-operate in creating the task of reconstructing a peaceful and prosperous metropolis, when he assumed office today.

He Australian Consul-General, Mr. Loveday, told Reuter today that Shanghai's 60 Australians suffered no casualties and no major damage in the Shanghai fighting. Considering the size of the city, he thought Shanghai's escape from heavy destruction was remarkable. Mr. Loveday disclosed that he wrote by radio to the Australian Ambassador, Mr. Keith Officer in Nanking, who said that all members of the Embassy staff were well. It is understood that foreigners have complete liberty of movement within the city.—Reuter.

LAPHAM IN SAN FRANCISCO

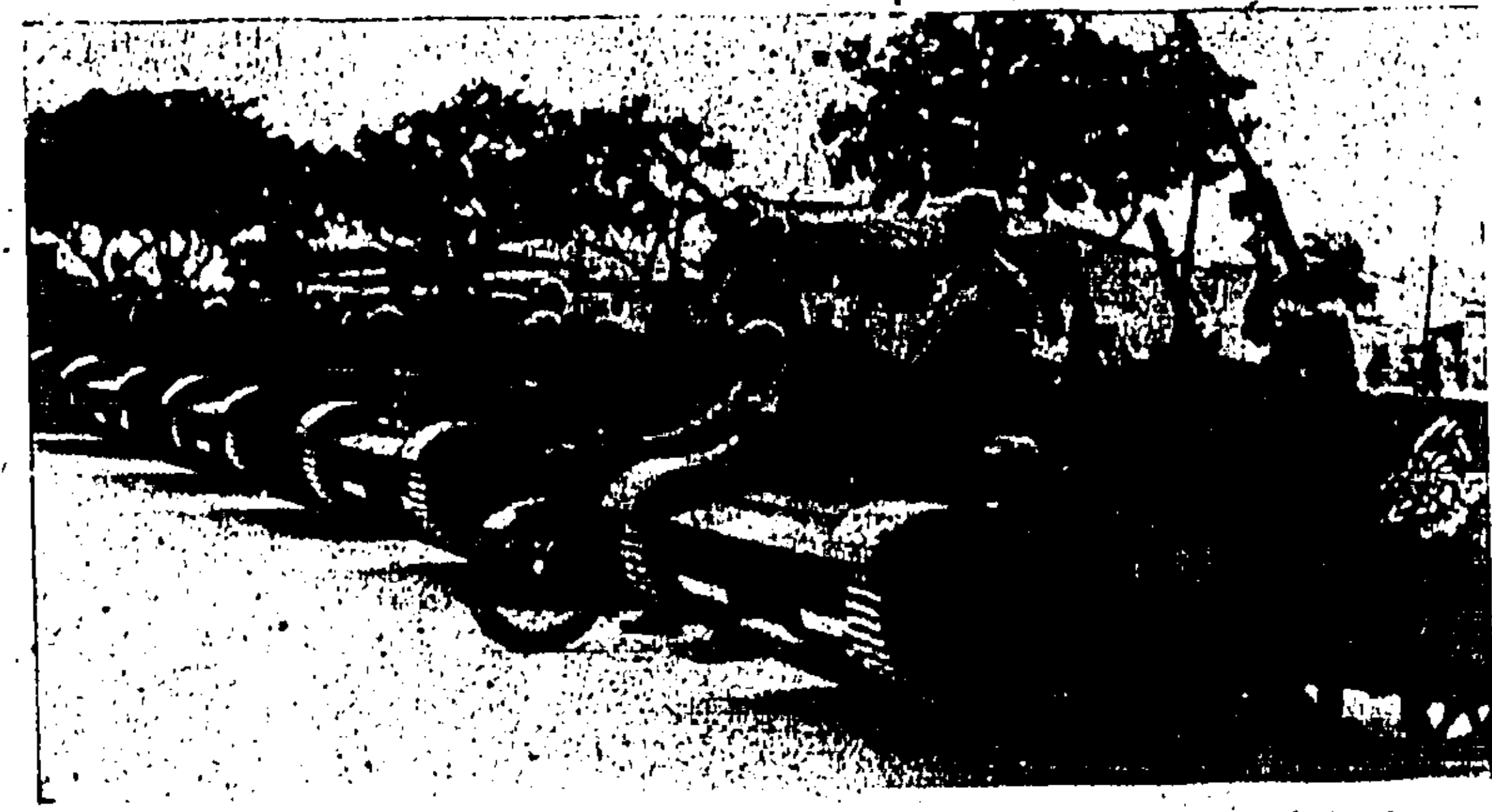
San Francisco, May 30.
Mr. Roger Lapham, chief of the United States Economic Co-operation Administration Mission to China, has arrived here from Hong Kong in a Pan-American Clipper to report to Mr. Paul Hoffman, his chief in Washington.

Mr. Lapham said that American and British businessmen were doing business in the Tientsin area and will do business in other Communist-held territory. "It's their money," he said. "The Government would continue its policy of not spending money in Communist-held territory." —Reuter.

FOUR DIE IN BUS ACCIDENT

Sydney, May 30.
Four passengers, all women, were killed today when a bus in which they were travelling to Sydney plunged off the road and was hurled into a 40-foot gully. Police officers said that in addition to the four dead, 22 passengers had been admitted to hospital.—Reuter.

Display Of Macao's Armed Might



Some of the troops who took part in the parade in Macao on Sunday in celebration of the National Revolution. About 1,500 men took part under Commander Cabreira Henriques. Among them were men of the Portuguese warships Pedro Nunes and Joao de Lisboa, the anti-aircraft section, African troops, a military anti-tank section, European-African infantry, police, five brigade and the Mocidade (Portuguese Youth). Commander Albino Oliveira, Governor of Macao, took the salute. ("China Mail" Photo.)

Pearl River Pirates Seize Motor Junk, Shoot Engineer

Pearl River Delta pirates wearing Chinese military uniforms seized a motor junk, shot the engineer because they suspected him of sabotaging the engines and outmanoeuvred a trailing Chinese Navy gunboat, near Bocca Tigris on May 20.

The On Lee Ping was bound for Shan Mei, near Swatow, from Canton with a full load of lumber when the incident occurred. She arrived here last Saturday night and the master reported the piracy to the local authorities yesterday.

Kwok Sai, comrade of the ill-fated junk, stated that a white motor junk came alongside the On Lee Ping when she was South of Bocca Tigris at 9 a.m. on May 20. There were 10 men dressed in Chinese military uniform, who informed the coxswain that they intended to search his craft.

Thinking that they were legitimate soldiers, the junk's master stopped as requested. Immediately, another 10 men, armed with light machine guns, pistols and revolvers, and dressed in black silk, emerged from a lower deck of the launch and boarded the junk with the soldiers.

The pirates ordered all the crew to go below deck, while they took positions apparently to keep a lookout for unwelcome craft. Soon another motor junk with armed men approached and both craft escorted the On Lee Ping towards Mankinsha.

Ordered Below

On nearing the destination the On Lee Ping lost speed due

Dutch Official Collapses, Dies On Plane

A transit passenger on a plane from Bangkok on route to Tokyo collapsed and died before the plane touched down at Kai Tak yesterday.

He was Mr. Eduard Nijh, aged 49, a Dutch official who was travelling to Japan to join the Netherlands Military Mission there.

A mantle of mystery surrounded Kai Tak after the plane touched down. An ambulance arrived at the airport shortly after. Dr. David Tien, Medical Officer at Kai Tak, said he knew nothing of the occurrence. He was an air port routine, he said, that all medical cases should be reported to the Medical Officer at the airport. "But no such report came to me," he added. The immigration authorities also stated that no report of the incident was made to them and they first came to know of the case by hearsay. It was learned that someone had contacted the Kowloon Hospital Director as soon as the plane touched down. The body has been sent to the Kowloon Hospital Mortuary where a post mortem will be held later.

Red Government Expected To Be Formed In Fall

Nanking, May 30.
Diplomatic observers say the question of full international recognition of the Communist regime in China will be postponed until the formation of a new nation-wide government.

The formation of this government is expected next Autumn. Diplomatic quarters said indications are the Reds will convoke a political consultative conference some time in August. This conference should set up a nation-wide government by November. It would include Reds as the dominant faction in a coalition with various splinter parties.

Among the minor parties expected to participate are those associated with the Democratic League and the Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee. (The league once was considered the third most influential political party in China. The Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee is headed by Marshal Li Chai-sum. Li was a former commander of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek but broke with him and fled to Hong Kong.)

Headquarters for both moved some time ago from Hong Kong to Peiping, where they are headed respectively by Shun Chun-ju and Li Chai-sum. Most other non-Communist anti-Communist leaders also are in Peiping, presumably awaiting the convention. The Communists have announced nothing on the date or place of the conference. Observers say Peiping, where they predict the capital of Red China will be established, is the most likely place.

Only Legal One
Until a new government is formed, diplomats point out that Canton's refugee government remains the only one with any legal claim to diplomatic recognition. They doubt, however, that foreign diplomats accredited to the government will follow it to another site, which would likely be temporary. Semi-official sources said that if Canton is occupied, Mr. Lewis Clark, Minister-Counsellor of the United States Embassy who heads the branch at Canton, probably will not follow the refugee government to Chungking—the old wartime capital in Western China—or elsewhere.

They said Clark and his staff probably will go to Hong Kong, where they would be technically in transit. In Nanking, many diplomats are expected to leave gradually when travel opens. As things are now, they can only perform consular functions. Among those who will leave is the U.S. Ambassador, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, who has been ordered to Washington for consultation, but has been given an optional date for departure. Dr. Stuart is expected to return as Ambassador to China, when and if circumstances permit. Nanking has relaxed since its fall last month. The pace now is

Changes Awaited
A million Chinese and foreigners await the changes. Communists are bringing about slowly. The main political stream has long since by-passed the time Nationalist capital. The city never had much industry or only limited commerce. Red troops are quartered in government buildings and homes of Kuomintang officials. Foreigners have the freedom of Nanking but cannot leave. Officials say they will be permitted to go to Shanghai in a few days. Apparently there has been wider contact here between the Reds and foreigners than at other points held by the Communists. The Foreign Affairs Section recently displayed businessmen and correspondents on various matters. All were treated courteously. Foreign oil firms have been encouraged to remain for business here. Newsmen have been told there is no ban on the collection of news.

The famed sing-song girls of the Te Miao quarter have lost their old jobs. But some of them in the dance halls, which the Reds permit, but the Nationalists banned. Food is cheap and plentiful. Manufactured products have been high but they are coming down in price now. Coal is entering Nanking from the North in abundance. The coal is enough electricity for the first time in many months.—Associated Press.

SEQUEL TO GUAM RAPE MURDER

Tokyo, May 30.
Staff Sergeant Robert Burns, negro airman, received a death sentence at Guam as a result of the rape murder of Ruth Farr, a San Francisco girl, who was employed in a jade shop on the island.

The conviction completed a series of three men who were charged with the brutal crime. The case is now completed except for a review of the three death sentences, by the high authorities.—Reuter.

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At 0600 GMT, 8 a.m. (HK) a depression centred about 110 miles S. of Kuroki is moving ENE. From it a trough extends to N. Formosa thence across S. China to Tonkin. A weak ridge extends from the Pacific anti-cyclone to the Philippines. Today's Forecast—Moderate W. winds. Cloudy with scattered brief showers. Tomorrow's Forecast—Light S.W. winds. Maximum: 25.0 deg. F. Minimum: 20.0 deg. F. Sunshine: 4.6 hours. Rainfall: 1.1 mm. (0.04 in.). Total since Jan. 1—250.4 mm. (9.86 in.). as against an average of 260.8 mm. (10.27 in.).

Area	Max.	Min.	Wind	Cloud	Rain
Hong Kong	25.0	20.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Shanghai	24.0	19.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Canton	24.0	19.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Beiping	23.0	18.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Tientsin	23.0	18.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Harbin	22.0	17.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Manchuria	21.0	16.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Inner Mongolia	20.0	15.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
North China	19.0	14.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
South China	18.0	13.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
East Asia	17.0	12.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
South East Asia	16.0	11.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
South Pacific	15.0	10.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	14.0	9.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	13.0	8.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	12.0	7.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	11.0	6.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	10.0	5.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	9.0	4.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	8.0	3.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	7.0	2.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	6.0	1.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	5.0	0.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	4.0	-1.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	3.0	-2.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	2.0	-3.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	1.0	-4.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	0.0	-5.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-1.0	-6.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	-2.0	-7.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	-3.0	-8.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	-4.0	-9.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	-5.0	-10.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	-6.0	-11.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	-7.0	-12.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	-8.0	-13.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	-9.0	-14.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	-10.0	-15.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	-11.0	-16.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	-12.0	-17.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-13.0	-18.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	-14.0	-19.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	-15.0	-20.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	-16.0	-21.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	-17.0	-22.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	-18.0	-23.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	-19.0	-24.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	-20.0	-25.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	-21.0	-26.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	-22.0	-27.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	-23.0	-28.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	-24.0	-29.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-25.0	-30.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	-26.0	-31.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	-27.0	-32.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	-28.0	-33.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	-29.0	-34.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	-30.0	-35.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	-31.0	-36.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	-32.0	-37.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	-33.0	-38.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	-34.0	-39.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	-35.0	-40.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	-36.0	-41.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-37.0	-42.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	-38.0	-43.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	-39.0	-44.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	-40.0	-45.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	-41.0	-46.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	-42.0	-47.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	-43.0	-48.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	-44.0	-49.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	-45.0	-50.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	-46.0	-51.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	-47.0	-52.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	-48.0	-53.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-49.0	-54.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	-50.0	-55.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	-51.0	-56.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	-52.0	-57.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	-53.0	-58.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	-54.0	-59.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	-55.0	-60.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	-56.0	-61.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	-57.0	-62.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	-58.0	-63.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	-59.0	-64.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	-60.0	-65.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-61.0	-66.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Java Sea	-62.0	-67.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sunda Strait	-63.0	-68.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Malacca Strait	-64.0	-69.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Sulu Sea	-65.0	-70.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Philippine Sea	-66.0	-71.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Celebes Sea	-67.0	-72.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Timor Sea	-68.0	-73.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arafura Sea	-69.0	-74.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Indian Ocean	-70.0	-75.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Arabian Sea	-71.0	-76.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Bay of Bengal	-72.0	-77.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1
Andaman Sea	-73.0	-78.0	W. 10-15	Cloudy	1.1

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The American community in Hong Kong gathered in large numbers at the Kulan Memorial, at the junction of Morrison Hill Road and Leighton Hill Road, yesterday to observe Memorial Day.

The day is set aside for homage to members of the United States armed services who gave their lives in the service of their country.

Mr. George D. Hopper, United States Consul-General in Hong Kong (see picture) also addressed the gathering, and later laid a wreath at the base of the Monument.

Three other wreaths were laid by other members of the American community. All four wreaths were later taken to the Colonial Cemetery.

A guard drawn from Marines of the USS El Dorado under Lieutenant James A. Flood, also attended the ceremony. Lieutenant-Commander M. S. Studebaker, USN, representing Vice-Admiral Oscar C. Badger's staff, was also present.

Two Armed Robbers Get Gaol Sentences

How six or seven Chinese robbers, three of whom were armed with revolvers conspired together to commit a robbery which eventually resulted in the wounding of one of the robbers and the arrest of two others were told to Mr. Blair Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

The defendants Leung Hing, alias Leung Sam, Li Kan and Ho Luk were sentenced to two years on a charge of conspiring to commit an armed robbery at the Kwong Yick Godown at Dundas Street on April 28. Li Kan was also ordered to be deported for life.

The prosecution said that on April 28 at 4 p.m. the police received information to the effect that six or seven Chinese, three of whom were armed with revolvers were going to commit a robbery at the Kwong Yick Godown.

At 7 p.m. a party of police detectives led by Detective Inspector Davies were waiting for the robbers. Later, further information was received by the police that the robbers were seen going up the staircase of No. 168 Fa Yuen Street.

Three detectives went to the scene and on arrival they were told by the informant that the robbers had gone up to No. 165.

Later DI Davies and Detective No. 446 saw the robbers enter the building. The robbers turned into Mongkok Road.

On reaching the junction of Mongkok Road and Tung Choi Street the robbers were met by Detective Tung Chung and another detective. Detective Tan challenged the second defendant while the other detective challenged the first. While the first defendant was being searched, he tried to draw his gun but was shot by Detective Tan in the leg.

The wounded robber was taken to the hospital and the other was taken to the station.

The police acting on information, arrested the third defendant the following day.

Two revolvers were found on the roof of a house in Fa Yuen Street.

Second defendant said that he was being beaten by the detectives into admitting the offence.

PRO's Reply

Sir—With reference to "Simple Simon's" letter appearing in the "Sunday Herald" of 20th May, 1949, requesting further information regarding the means by which naturalisation as a British subject may be secured, if "Simple Simon" will have the courtesy to publish his full correct name and address, I shall endeavour to meet his wishes.

W. GORDON HARMON, Public Relations Officer.

A New Plan

Sir—I have come across a lot of ideas now-a-days capped with certain names such as Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan, Thill-Hartley law, Morse-Landale Scheme etc. etc. It is very interesting. I have a suggestion here. Call it Como Suggestion.

I think the most practical and logical mean to determine who is going to vote or to be voted is that only member of the HKVDF is eligible. The sole reason is that they are the citizen-abolishers and they are going to present this juicy apple from falling into the hands of the Reds. Should their holy mission fail, it would be the Reds' job to do the reforming.

Now, Our Honorable Reformers, will you please join the HKVDF as soon as you can?

PAT COMO.

Naturalisation

Sir—In connection with the explanation given by Mr. W. Gordon Harmon, Public Relations Officer, in Saturday's issue of the "China Mail" on the subject of naturalisation in which he attempted to refute the contentions of Simple Simon, I would like to point out to Mr. Harmon that it was quite unnecessary to say the least for himself to explain as he did.

Our friend Simple Simon, who maintained that "the privilege of becoming naturalised British Subjects would appear to be reserved specially for people of one particular race," was not talking through his hat. He was never more right in his arguments. I think it is a well-known fact that this British Nationality Act to which Mr. Harmon referred is merely another bunch of high-sounding but empty formalities common in this world of ours. If Mr. Harmon's explanation is correct, why are there not more than a mere handful of Chinese in Hong Kong who have been able to acquire naturalisation? It would be interesting to recall that most of these—if not all—are from the upper social strata, the well-to-do.

The people in this Colony, like any other sensible people in the universe, do not give two hoots about the laying down of statutory provisions for naturalisation or what not, but they do know that such regulations are not adhered to.

The fact that this high-sounding British Nationality Act exists as law in Hong Kong and has been put on the books by the official government organ, the Government Gazette, does not indeed alter the fact that racial discrimination, even in respect of naturalisation, is rampant in the so-called democratic Colony in which we live.

CITIZEN JOE

Right to Vote

Sir—After reading some of the letters in the local press—letters in which the writer, in reply to my Chinese expression of views, I nearly gave up the desire of writing on this subject. Your impartial and level-headed editorial in the "Sunday Herald" however, gave me hope for a fair hearing and for a brighter future.

To begin with, I must admit that I have no legal training and that I am no politician, and therefore in my submission I may miss some legal points.

It is my understanding that the main reason for the proposed government reforms is that our so-called representatives in the present and past legislative councils were not elected and they represented 80 per cent of the dollars instead of the people of the Colony. It is my observation that memberships of the legislative council are invariably held by big company directors and bank managers, who may not know how the other lives. It is likely therefore that the members of the council are a very expensive luxury that only a few can afford.

It is in this case, then I cannot see any good can come out of any reform, however wonderful they may be. Let me presume that I am not alone in this view.

It is now debated as to who should be the voters. I believe he was, in fact, merely relegate

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

all taxpayers and permanent residents should be given the right to propose, and to vote for our legislators, do not mean anything; it is his or her business that counts ("a man is not bigger than the way he treats his fellowmen"). After all what's in a name?

Not all Britishers can be a credit to their country, yet some Chinese can be. Not all Chinese can be benefactors to the Chinese people here, but some Britishers can be.

Summing up, I venture to suggest that—

(1) Voters should be taxpayers and permanent (not floating) residents, irrespective of nationality.

(2) Voted should be taxpayers and permanent (not floating) residents only Britishers (this being a British Colony).

T. P. W.

Defence Force

Sir—I am disappointed—nay alarmed—to see the shooting results of the Hong Kong Defence Force. Volunteers appearing in the Press. Is this to happen every time our boys have musketry instruction? Surely it would be quite simple to estimate the fire power of this unit from these results, and furthermore does it not show how well acquainted they are with their "best friend"—the rifle?

I do feel that we must become more security minded. Realise that the case quoted above only goes to show how lax we all are in the security line. What did we say at the wonderful tea party last week at the Wet-Blanket's place? What did we say after the seventh point? Wherever that was. And rumour spreading. A friend of mine told me the other day: "When they arrive they will take us out one by one and shoot us." Now next time I meet this silly man he will say: "They took them out one by one and shot them." Just all rumour and disconcerting.

So let us all try and be so careful. No rumours, no silly stories to show that we are "in the know." Let us arm ourselves, each and everyone of us, with a cloak and dagger.

HUSH.

Reform Club

Sir—It is indeed unfortunate that Mr. Brook Bernacchi in presenting the Reform Club's plan for an Interim Government has not given detail in that presentation greater detail in that presentation that many of the doubts at present being expressed by Britons regarding the swamping of the Legislature by Chinese if franchise was granted them, would have been set at rest.

The plan adopted by a large majority of the Committee was briefly as follows:

1. That the Landale plan should be supported in principle but that all 11 Unofficial Members should be elected and the system of nomination abolished.

2. That all candidates for election to the Legislature must be British subjects, and it was suggested that an equitable distribution of the seats would be, five Britons of European race; five Chinese British subjects and one Portuguese British subject.

3. That for the purpose of the Interim Government only, the voters list, as being the widest and most readily available list, should serve as the electoral roll.

4. That the duty of the re-constituted Legislature would be to take steps towards the introduction of the Municipal Council at the date stipulated in the Young Plan.

It is also unfortunate that, in regard to the fourth point, Mr. Landale should have chosen to use the word "abolish" in connection with the Municipal Council in outlining his scheme, for this unfortunate choice has led the Chinese members of the community to believe that the plan was being totally abolished.

Whereas the plan of the Reform Club, in fact, merely relegate

ing the Municipal Council plan to its proper place as a "secondary" issue which would be and, indeed must be regarded as an essential part of his plan.

The opponents of the Club's plan have based their objections upon three major points:

(a) That to enfranchise the Chinese, non-British subjects would be unconstitutional.

(b) That British subjects in China would not be permitted to vote.

(c) That to enfranchise the non-British members of the community would lead to swamping of the British element.

Let us examine these points in that order. In that day and age, constitutional considerations, and not upon the out-moded forms of a hundred years ago. Within the past few weeks we have witnessed an event which, even a few months ago, the supporters of rigid constitutionalism would have regarded as impossible, to wit, the welcoming into the British Commonwealth of the Republic of India and the extension by Prime Minister of an invitation to do so to join the family of nations. This event alone should surely be sufficient to prove to critics of the Club's plan that constitutions are subject to change but, in case they are not convinced, let us turn to a scheme affecting this Colony, one which has been approved by His Majesty's Government and which, therefore, is acceptable to even the most rabid constitutionalists.

Under the terms of the 1930 Councillors, of various races, were to be elected by an international electorate and that these Councillors, themselves, mainly non-British, were to elect two of their number to the highest legislative organ of the Colony, the Legislative Council.

We ask those who decry the election of Unofficial Members by the "Tax-payers, an unconstitutional, whether the election of even two Councillors to the Legislative Council by a largely non-British Municipal Council is not, in fact, just as unconstitutional in principle. It matters not whether the electorate is thirty or three million, or the elected two or 11, the departure from rigid constitutionalism is, in the same in principle—and it should be remembered that the Municipal Council scheme has the blessing of the Colonial Office.

The second point raised by the opponents of the Reform Club plan is that British subjects in China would not be allowed to vote. The answer to that contention is so obvious that it hardly needs to be stressed. If British subjects were present in China in the same proportion as Chinese subjects are in Hong Kong (1 to 10 per cent), it is a safe bet that not only would we be voting, but that the two per cent minority of Chinese would not.

The third objection raised by the critics is that the granting of the franchise would lead to the swamping of the Legislature and the unspoken fear that this would lead to eventual rendition. Surely it must be obvious to any thinking person that if all the candidates for election to the Legislative Council were to be elected, (an extremely unlikely contingency), he could, with the support of Mr. P. W. S. Lee, Governor, with his ordinary and casting vote, and the Official Members outvote the remainder of the Unofficial Members.

Furthermore, even if the entire Unofficial Members were disloyal and corrupt, a fantastic supposition to be sure, the confidence of Hong Kong as a British Colony is still guaranteed by the Reserve Powers of His Excellency the Governor.

Is the composition of the electorate, therefore, of such vital importance as some would have us believe? What valid objection can there be to the introduction of the plan put forward by Mr. Brook Bernacchi?

It is the composition of the community subject to business, residential and property qualifications, and, indeed, the retention of that status for a period of, say, five years might well be made a condition for the attainment of

full British status by naturalisation. Such a scheme is in keeping with the announced policy of His Majesty's Government in matters affecting the Colonies and it is to be hoped that this suggestion will be forwarded to London with the strongest possible recommendation for its adoption.

One point which the responsible British members of this community would do well to ponder is the fact that the local demand for reform is by no means isolated. It is but part of the world-wide trend towards the improvement of the lot of the little man and whether we like, or whether we do not, that trend will continue.

The British Government has recognised that fact has acted accordingly. We here in Hong Kong can do likewise, the initiative is present in our hands, but if responsible members of the community will persist in their indulgence in the "leave it to George" attitude which they now adopt, they may wake some bright morning to find that the initiative has slipped from their grasp and that George has changed his name.

"W."

Portuguese Coll-Up

Sir—Your correspondent "Portuguese Citizen" in a long tirade claims to voice the sentiments of his fellow-nationals who cannot surely speak for more, flatly disassociates himself from the views expressed in the letter on the subject of military service and published on May 28 last.

The gentleman claims that notification has been issued by the Portuguese Consulate and in this he is mistaken, for if he will only take the trouble to look at the Notice Board of the Consulate he will see that the notice in question is a request for military service, should merely apply for information.

There are several parts of the letter to which I, for one, take exception, but the most invidious and regrettable by that writer in Macao during the last war must be lamented by everyone. The Macao Government gave to every Portuguese who went to Macao as a refugee, a subsistence of 30 patacas per head, every month, the 30 patacas being sufficient to enable each individual to purchase rice and other food supplies at prices very much lower than those of the Macao Government, furthermore, provided quarters, light, water, fuel, hospitalisation and medical services, and other conveniences not to speak of cost of transportation to Macao.

"Portuguese Citizen" does not seem to remember that the Macao Government had to absorb all sorts of things at Macao, including stocks, of cotton yarn and other merchandise, to cover the losses incurred through supplying rice and other necessities to the colony at prices very much lower than cost. The total sum expended must have run into many millions.

How short some memories are? Perhaps "Portuguese Citizen" was one of the first to join the New Hong Kong Defence Force.

M. B.

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Personalia

Departures by CPA yesterday for Manila included Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Overmyer, Messrs. Norman Allan, Ronald, Roland, Hans Hoffman, Mrs. R. Farrell, L. V. Galang, S. Wadhvani and A. R. Lopez.

Messrs. Richard W. Standley, Gerald Davies, Ran Chip and Miss Estrella Gicalao arrived here yesterday from Manila by CPA.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bolesen, Miss C. E. Bolesen, Messrs. V. T. Armstrong, Sundar Singh, and Chang, Wai-lam left Hong Kong yesterday for Bangkok and Singapore by CPA.

Week-end departures from the Peninsula Hotel included Dr. and Mrs. W. Baer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Tong, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gaudin, Mrs. L. Rosenfarb, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. and Mrs. E. M. W. Ruter, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Messrs. Lee Ching-hwa, P. K. Mel, G. C. Stubbs, J. Gould, G. M. Schwel, J. C. Boyd, S. C. Chow, P. A. Jordan, D. S. Starr, W. W. Jolley, E. L. Killman, Lieutenant Commander J. L. Hutchison, L. H. Zerler, and J. B. Chadwick.

Among the new week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel were Mr. and Mrs. S. Shofman, Mrs. C. L. L. C. Chapman, P. Hopkins, T. E. Drennon, E. Valdes, W. D. Tucker, R. S. Bennett, K. Wong, H. T. Feng, H. E. Braganza, and Lieutenant Skatland.

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Debtors And Creditors Ordinance Criticised

Money Left In Taxi

A sum of money left behind in a taxi of the Pacific Auto Service, of No. 199-203 Johnston Road, may be claimed at the company's office by the passenger concerned.

The passenger boarded the taxi near Chater Road yesterday.

Novelty Film Now At The Lee Theatre

"Bill and Coo," opening at the Lee Theatre today, is something entirely different in the line of film entertainment that it deserves mention outside of the regular "China Mail" cinema page.

Produced by Ken Murray, the film is a comedy of errors, a cast of more than 270 love birds—all artists within their own rights. There is not a single human being in the cast, except for the narrators.

And can these birds act? Trained by George Burton, they make the little bird village of Chirpendale, replete with miniature houses, shops, hotel, bar, school and church, as real as any man-inhabited town.

Filled in colour, "Bill and Coo" becomes a refreshing and enchanting tale about life in Chirpendale, with "Bill and his girl friend, Coo," the stars of the show. The villain of the piece is the Black Menace, none other than Mr. Crow, who is to Chirpendale what the devil is to the world.

The Black Menace has it in for Chirpendale in general and for our hero Bill in particular. But in the end Mr. Crow is no match for the love birds and falls victim to "Operation Scarecrow," an ingeniously conceived plan hatched by Bill.

Highlight of the film is the arrival in Chirpendale of the Starling Brothers Circus, featuring trapeze artists, strongmen, a Wild West rodeo and a daredevil motorcycle stunt (all performed by love birds) and boasting a menagerie of wild beasts, such as panthers and tigers (kittens to you).

"Bill and Coo" is a cleverly produced and directed show. It offers rare talent and should give young and old an hour's worth of satisfaction.

Correspondence

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Shooting Of Dogs

Sir,—In view of the prevailing cases of rabies, I heartily agree with the Police Department's decision to destroy all dogs found un-muzzled on the streets.

Such, however, was NOT the case this morning. This policeman concerned in this morning's "shooting expedition" at Waterloo Road—probably because he was short-sighted or sleepy—had to fire three shots, before bagging one dog, and this with a shotgun.

I wonder, therefore, how many shots this policeman would have fired if he had had to use a pistol or a rifle, and I also wonder whether it is safe to allow such a poor marksman to carry firearms at all.

By the way, the poor, tortured dog was not mine.

SAFETY FIRST.

Landslide

Sir,—Referring to your article in today's "Sunday Herald" about the Landslide at Stanley Prison, it would please me very much to inform you of the true facts. The appliance which was mentioned in your article was unable to do anything to remove the rock which was on top of these men. We, the REME recovery team, with our 10-ton Mack were called out and released the men by lifting the rock. All this can be verified by the Prison Officers who showed every appreciation when the job was completed. Hoping to receive a satisfactory reply to this letter as in my opinion the people responsible for the work should be recognised and not those who just stand by.

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Criticism of the Debtors and Creditors Ordinance in that while it protected the creditor, it did nothing for the debtor, was made by Mr. Eldon Potter, KC, in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

Mr. Potter, who, with two other barristers, was representing appellant in an appeal against a decision of the Chief Justice, submitted that the protection of the purchaser had been deliberately passed over by the Legislature.

The sale of a house during the Japanese occupation formed the subject of the appeal in which three barristers are appearing for either side.

The appeal, brought by the local solicitor, Mr. Hamilton Kwan, was against the decision of Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, who delivered judgment against him on February 28.

The judgment was awarded in favour of the plaintiff, the respondent, it was for an order for specific performance of an agreement for the sale of 48 Kennedy Road, together with an order that Woo execute a proper conveyance of the property.

The Full Court taking the case is composed of Mr. Justice Williams, Puisne Judge, and Mr. Justice Scholes, Acting Puisne Judge.

Mr. Eldon Potter, KC, the Hon. d'Almeida, KC, and Mr. B. A. Zernach are representing appellant on his own instructions.

Respondent is represented by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, Mr. John McNeill and Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Hastings and Company.

Respondent, Liu Lan-fong, alias Liu Ah-lan, is the widow of Koo Shui-ting, alias Koo Wan-sing, the Shui Hing Company, of Nos. 187-185 Des Voeux Road Central.

Liu claimed in the action before the Chief Justice for specific performance of an agreement dated August 18, 1944, made between her husband and Woo for the sale of 48 Kennedy Road.

The agreement laid down the purchase price as 68,000 Military Yen. It also provided for the payment of MY\$50,000 on the date of agreement on account of the purchase price.

That payment was eventually made and acknowledged by the purchaser on the agreement. The purchase was to be completed within a month.

In giving his decision on February 28, Sir Leslie Gibson stated that the defendant, Woo, had undertaken to give a title free from encumbrances, a clause which he termed important, as pre-Occupation mortgages were outstanding to the tune of HK\$100,000.

The Chief Justice ruled that for some reason the transaction was not entered to completion by registration, and the difficulty was that by reason of the Debtor and Creditor (Occupation Period) Ordinance, 1948, the mortgage debts on the property had not been discharged.

In making a preliminary point, Mr. d'Almeida called the attention of the Court to a notice sent to respondents concerning his side's intention to call further evidence on appellant's part.

That evidence, he said, was not available at the hearing of the action.

Mr. d'Almeida further disclosed that Mr. Sheldon, who had been informed of this by him, had no objection to the taking of that evidence on new points.

After the Court had granted permission, Mr. H. K. Woo, the appellant, took the stand. He stated, in reply to questions from Mr. Bernacchi, that some time after judgment was given in the previous action, he had a visit from one Ko Fook-man who was the son and attorney of the second mortgagee.

Reference To Mortgage: In the course of a conversation between them, Mr. Woo went on, reference was made by Ko to the mortgage in question.

Ko then gave him a copy of a letter which purported to be from the second mortgagee, Ko Fook-man, who was the son and attorney of the second mortgagee.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Woo revealed that Ko was a second mortgagee. Ko, he further said, was an old friend of his, and a rich man. Up to the time of judgment, Ko had made no claim at all.

Mr. Woo also stated that between the date of the passing of the Debtors and Creditors Ordinance in June 1948 and March 1949, there was no claim made against him by either of the two mortgagees.

Mr. Sheldon further questioned the witness. The latter disclosed that the second mortgagee had been forced to accept payment of Military Yen for the sale of the house.

Mr. Woo said, however, that he did not say this to the Chief Justice at the action because he had no occasion to reveal it. He gave his counsel a statement on matters concerning it, he added.

Opening his case for the appellants, Mr. Potter contended that this was a case of great importance.

The position of Mr. Woo was that he received the Yen which were turned to Hong Kong dollars to the amount of \$27,000. Mr. Woo was now a result of the judgment compelled to pay mortgages which were discharged in August and September 1945 of \$150,000 premium with interest running to the paid date.

Occupation Law: Mr. Potter then went through certain passages of the Chief Justice's judgment. According to the

then existing Japanese occupation law, the mortgage debts were in fact completely discharged in September 1943, and were regarded by all the parties concerned as being legally paid off.

"It is a positive fact that Woo paid off the mortgage debts," Mr. Potter reiterated. He added that it was vital to realise that the basis on which the Chief Justice rejected this fact and ruled that the debt was not paid off was done on a finding which, he submitted, was wholly unsupported.

After further reference to the Ordinance, and after having made certain submissions, Mr. Potter submitted that the object of the Debtors and Creditors Ordinance was to protect the creditor and not the debtor.

"In fact, it is called the Debtors and Creditors Ordinance, but the only person protected by that Ordinance is the creditor," Mr. Potter submitted. The protection of the purchaser, he added, was deliberately passed over by the Legislature.

Counsel then pointed out that the Chief Justice in his judgment made provision for the protection of a bona fide purchaser.

After further local submissions by Counsel, he quoted various authorities in support of his contentions.

Hearing will continue at 10.30 a.m. today.

Kai Tak Beat

The big name at Kai Tak yesterday was that of Mr. N. V. Rochin, the Soviet Ambassador to China who was on transit here on his way home to Russia.

A few months before the Communist Government advised the foreign diplomatic groups to quit Nanking. The Russians were the first to take it. The other legations remained.

They followed a part of the National Government to Canton and established the Embassy there.

United Press adds that one Foreign Office source pointed out Mr. Rochin's departure might also indicate a desire to sidestep the delicate problem of protocol.

China has no Foreign Minister at present and no ambassador has been appointed to fill the post vacated by Dr. Fu Ping-cheung, who was for a time considered for the Foreign Minister job. This leaves both embassies with equal representation.

Miss Nancy Goodrich of New York belonging to the famous Goodrich rubber and tyre estate spent a few days in the Colony on her round-the-world education trip. She left by plane yesterday to continue her globe trotting.

The tall, slim, American socialite fought shy of reporters, however. When asked if she could give the public a little story of her travelling she said: "No, I can't!"

We learned, however, that Miss Goodrich is on her way to Spain to study and will be continuing to Europe after that.

Strengthening rumours that airlines' executives are planning to resume service to Shanghai and other Communist areas, provision for some days now, were arrivals yesterday of Mr. W. Bond and Mr. H. Blaby.

Mr. Bond is the Vice President of CNAC and Mr. Blaby, the Vice President of FAA.

EL DORADO LEAVING

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The Convalr the CATC's brand new luxury airliner, touched down at Kai Tak yesterday, completing her delivery trip from her birthplace in a San Diego factory. The two-engined plane is equipped with the latest in aeronautical techniques and is specially built for comfort. Its features include pressurized cabins, a cruising speed of 300 mph and it has a capacity for 40 passengers.

Construction Firm's Annual Meeting

The Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company Limited, at its 23rd annual general meeting held at St. George's Building yesterday, reported a busy year for 1948, and a net profit of HK\$475,211.58.

Regarding future prospects, however, the Chairman of Directors, Mr. Horace Kadoorie, warned that it looked as though construction activities in the Colony this year would not be as remunerative as last year.

Mr. Kadoorie said in part: "Our houses on K.I.L. 4137 suffered very heavy damage during the Japanese occupation. During last year we rebuilt two of the four houses, and have now almost completed the other two. On completing with the Government building department, we will be entitled to apply for Crown leases, and this we hope to do shortly. Eighteen of our other houses on K.I.L. 2057 still require major repairs in order to preserve them. These repairs will cost us in the neighbourhood of \$230,000 and will have to be taken in hand."

"The Company has been kept very busy throughout the year. We received a fair share of business, both with regard to construction and piling. We were employed in the erection of cotton mills, store buildings, substations, timber stores and various other industrial works. In addition, we were requested to recondition a number of residences."

"Our Manager, Mr. A. V. Skvorzov, while on home leave, made a study of various industrial enterprises in America, England and the Continent. He paid particular attention to air-conditioning, airfields, factory layouts, etc. The result of Mr. Skvorzov's holiday has already been lucrative to the Company's business."

"The profit for the year amounts to \$475,211.58 to which must be added \$36,241.30 brought forward, from last year giving an amount available for appropriation of \$511,452.88. Less such amount due for corporation profits tax (\$49,600) payable on the year under review."

"Regarding the item of \$514,289.07, being war losses, there is very little likelihood of obtaining reparation, and in view of the fact that we have not written down anything on this account since the occupation, our Board deem it wise to write down War Losses to \$120,000."

"At the end of the Company's financial year our overdraft with our bankers amounted to \$267,577.89, which has been increased substantially since that date."

"With regard to future prospects, it looks as though construction activities in the Colony will not be as remunerative this year as in the last, though to date we cannot complain. The rentals of our properties will show an increase due to the new houses constructed on K.I.L. 4137."

"I shall now propose that the Report and Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1948, as presented, be adopted and passed."

The motion was seconded by Mr. W. A. Welch, and carried unanimously.

Mr. W. A. Welch and Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, the retiring Directors, were re-elected, and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews re-appointed auditors.

Supporting Mr. H. Kadoorie in the chair were Mr. W. A. Welch and Mr. M. W. Lo (Directors) and Mr. Ernest Sahmet (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. A. V. Skvorzov, David Cohen, A. M. Bruga, J. Grant and Lau Hol-on.

MOTOR LAUNCH DEDICATE

The dedication of the motor launch Dayspring II by the Right Reverend R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hong Kong, took place yesterday at the Ferryway Street Pier, Gloucester Road.

Bishop Hall was assisted by Rev. F. W. Weaver, Chaplain of the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, Rev. T. E. Gover, Chaplain of Naval Dockyard, and Rev. R. J. Lowe, Chaplain of HMS Jamaica.

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Reminders

Today

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

HK Rotary Club luncheon, talk by Lt. Col. Mitchell, on "Hong Kong in 1914" at Root Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral, 6.45 p.m.

Women's Auxiliary of EPC bridge and mahjong drive, Government House, 2.15 p.m.

Central British Association, annual meeting, Jardine's Board room, 8.30 p.m.

North Point Wharves Limited, annual general meeting, Jacobean Room, 12 noon.

Kowloon Union Church Ladies Guild meeting, 10 a.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Tec. H. Club meeting, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

Dragon Boat race at Chung Shing Bathing Pavilion, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY

Union Church Ladies Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.

Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon meeting, Root Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club Luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Presentation of Awards at Government House, 10 a.m.

IMPORTED GOLD WITHOUT PERMITS

Five cases of imported gold without permits, involving HK\$1,093,740 worth of the prohibited metal were heard before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

Lui Chai-fu, and Lo Wing-chin, found with 2 1/2 and 1 1/2 tael of gold, respectively, in the ss. Wing Sang were cautioned and ordered to turn over their gold to the Government. Chow Chi-fung who was on board the same ship was absent and his bail of \$3 was estimated and 51 tael of gold confiscated.

In the ss. Tung "Lung Ri" Headman came across 3 1/2 tael of gold on the person of Chien Whan-pang, and in the ss. Yehow 85 tael of the metal were found concealed on a passenger Wu Ho-chang. A caution and an order of confiscation was made.

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AFRICAN MOB STONE POLICE IN THE RAND

Johannesburg, May 29.

Africans today stoned police officers as they dispersed crowds which had gathered, despite an official ban, in townships near here, expecting to be addressed by South Africa's only Communist Member of Parliament, Mr. Sam Kahn. Detectives trailing Mr. Kahn and his assistants to different meeting places posted notices prohibiting the gatherings, signed by the Acting Chief Justice of Johannesburg, Mr. C. Backeberg.

As on Mr. Kahn's previous visit to Johannesburg, some weeks ago, the Minister of Justice, Mr. C. R. Swart, banned the meetings under the Riotous As-

semblies Act, on the grounds that they constitute a serious threat to public peace.

Stones were thrown at mounted police at Alexandra, 10 miles North of the city, and at another township, Newclare, an African woman was arrested after a flying squad car had been struck by stones.

When mounted police attempted to disperse the crowd in a side street stones were flung at them.

The police then rushed across Johannesburg to disperse meetings in other townships. At Newclare, the district commandant was shot down when he attempted to tell the crowd the meeting was banned. A mounted squadron and a strong police force was called to the area, and the crowd was twice told to disperse.

Angry Mob

The district commandant then moved on to Moroka township to disperse another meeting. A police detachment, left behind to maintain order at Newclare, was surrounded by an angry mob.

A flying squad car was struck by stones and the police then arrested the African woman.

At Moroka, the crowd dispersed without trouble, but the police trailed Mr. Kahn from township to township until they eventually caught up with him.

Mr. Kahn then spoke to the district commandant, Major P. Grobler. In a statement, Mr. Kahn described the ban as unlawful and unconstitutional.

There was no information to indicate apprehension that public peace would be endangered.

Right As MP

"The Minister of Justice is lacking out freedom of speech and preventing me from fulfilling my function as a Member of Parliament by forbidding me to address the Transvaal Africans," Mr. Kahn said.

(Mr. Kahn, though a Communist, was elected not to represent the party in Parliament but as one of three Europeans representing the Africans.)

Mr. Kahn added, however, that he had been allowed to address Africans in the Cape area, where he represents them.

He added: "I propose to return to Witwatersrand in three weeks' time for a further series of meetings and shall continue to come until my democratic right as a Member of Parliament is respected."—Reuter.

FRANCO OUT OF LUCK

Havana, May 29.

Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, said at a press conference today that there is very little possibility of Spain entering the United Nations now.

He does not believe that General Franco will accept the spirit of the resolution adopted by the Assembly. There is nothing to enforce this decision, he added, but it has great moral force.

Asked about the sending of diplomatic missions to Spain, Mr. Lie said that it would violate the spirit of the resolution adopted by the Assembly. There is nothing to enforce this decision, he added, but it has great moral force.

Mr. Lie said he firmly believes that the Latin American Governments will not act on the recommendations of the Economic Commission especially in view of the examples of the good work done

PI Attack On Anti-Red Campaign

Manila, May 29.

The Lower House Committee on Un-Filipino Activities, which has been screening subversive activities, particularly Communism, in the Philippines, was the target of a bitter attack today by Mr. Mariano P. Delgado, Secretary-General of the Communist Party of the Philippines.

He described the Committee's week-end effort to persuade local editors to steer away from Communist propaganda and hand-outs, especially those that come periodically from the Hukbalahap Commander-in-Chief, Luis Taruc, as the latest attempt of the Committee to assassinate the freedom of expression in the Philippines.—Reuter.

by similar commissions for Europe and the Far East.

He expects them to give special attention to trade with the rest of the world and in-crease food production.

Mr. Lie, who is to open the second session of the Latin American Economic Commission tonight, will leave for Lake Success tomorrow.—Reuter.

Reds Tightening Up In Czechoslovakia

Prague, May 29.

President Klement Gottwald of Czechoslovakia was today re-elected Chairman of the national Communist Party, which ended its ninth Congress here today.

M. Rudolf Slansky was re-elected General Secretary of the Party's Central Committee, which was reduced from 120 to 97 members.

The Congress approved a new system of tighter controls over the acceptance of new members and the election of officers.

All Party members in the Czech Government and on the Slovak Board of Trustees are now members of the Central Committee.

The outstanding feature of the Congress has been that the grave difficulties and deficiencies must be met by a tighter Party organization and by aiming at a policy which will achieve a broader basis of popularity.

Stringent self criticism highlighted the many difficulties which the Communists have met

in Czechoslovakia since they gained power in February of last year.

The Army, police, industry and the Party itself acknowledged that hostile elements had penetrated the most sacrosanct quarters.

Opposition and resistance were found among the peasants. Party officials were accused of acting dictatorially. More pierces are promised—of the Party, of books, of schools, of libraries.

Western correspondents were refused admission to the Congress. Their impression of it had to be gained from officials' reports and from personal observation since the governing party of Czechoslovakia had to be protected in its meeting place with extraordinary security precautions.—Reuter.

NO SECRET DEALS INCLUDED IN ATLANTIC TREATY

Washington, May 29.

The State Department has assured the Congress that it has made no secret deals in negotiating the North Atlantic defence pact and that the treaty does not provide for Italy's roarmament. The twin assurances were made by a Department spokesman in testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee which has been made available.

They stated categorically that Italy will not be rearmament in violation of the Allied peace treaty with the former enemy country. They also said the defence pact carries no secret additional protocols and none were made during its negotiations. The issues of the Italian participation in the pact and of secret arrangements were raised by Senators Arthur Vandenberg, Arthur Watkins and others during the Committee's hearings on the treaty.

The State Department said it was understood by all parties to the treaty that the participation of Italy in the pact had no effect on the military provisions or any other provisions of the Italian peace treaty. Any contributions which Italy makes to the collective capacity for the defence of the North Atlantic area must be within limits fixed by the military provisions of the Italian peace treaty.

The 1947 Italian peace treaty signed by the United States, Russia and 19 other nations limits Italy to an army of 185,000 men plus state police and a 200-plane air force without bombers.

A Guarantee

The State Department moved to destroy any concern that the pact might carry secret commitments in a special report on the differences between the North Atlantic treaty and traditional military alliance.

The Department's study said: "The North Atlantic treaty is entirely free from provisions directed toward territorial changes for the benefit of its signatories. It gives no nation a free hand to

take unspecified measures likely to lead to hostilities.

"It is inconceivable that 12 nations, all predominantly democratic in organization, could or would negotiate any secret deals of the type associated with many traditional bilateral alliances and ententes. The size of membership in the North Atlantic pact is in itself a guarantee that the pact published to all the world means precisely what it says."—United Press.

PI DELEGATES TO ILO TALKS

Manila, May 29.

A delegation headed by the Secretary of Labour, Mr. P. Lovina, will represent the Philippine Republic at the tripartite conference of the International Labour Organisation which will be held at Geneva, Switzerland, from June 8 to July 2.

The other members are Judge Juan L. Lanting, Mr. Conrado Bonifaz, an educator, and Mr. Jose Muana, an attorney long identified with the labour movement in the Philippines.

With the exception of Mr. Lovina they composed this country's delegation to the I.L.O. Conference held in the United States last year.

In addition to the above delegates there will be six alternates so that the entire delegation will comprise 10 officials.

The delegation is to leave for Geneva by air on June 4.—Reuter.

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U.S. POLICY IN CHINA

Increasing Pressure On State Department LONG-RANGE STRATEGY

Washington, May 30.

The State Department in recent days has been subjected to increasing pressure to define its overall policy in the Pacific and Far East.

United States defence officials, particularly the new Defence Secretary, Louis Johnson, are the latest to have urged Secretary of State Dean Acheson to enunciate some broad policy applying to the Far Eastern situation.

Military planners are reliably reported to desire this general policy enunciation in order to provide a framework within which they can lay long-range strategic programmes.

The impatience of defence officials with the State Department's "wait and see" Far Eastern policy, plus continuing pressure from some elements of Congress, may result in some clarification of the American attitude.

Recent reports that Mr. Acheson has decided to abandon tactics of waiting and take positive steps toward formulating a programme cannot as yet be confirmed. However, even if they are not true it is considered most probable by diplomatic observers that the question of the Far East will be one of the first Mr. Acheson will review with his subordinate officials when he returns next month from the Paris conference of Foreign Ministers.

Even military officials who agree with Mr. Acheson's asser-

tion that the United States should wait until the dust settles in China before deciding on a policy with respect to that particular country now apparently feel the time has come for a clear delineation of the Department's position on where a cordon sanitaire against Communism in the area is to be drawn.

Broader Plan

Congressional critics of United States policy toward China, mainly Republicans, are continuing their demands for aid to the Nationalist Government. But the fall of Shanghai has apparently convinced most of them that the Communist Government cannot now be saved by American assistance and they are expected to turn their attention to demanding a specific plan for dealing with Communism in Asia on a broader scale.

One of their first full-dress opportunities for this will come when the Senate considers whether to approve President Truman's nomination of Mr. Walter Butterworth to be Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern affairs.

Mr. Butterworth, present chief of the Department's Far Eastern Affairs Office, is considered to be one of the chief architects of Mr. Acheson's "wait and see" policy on China.

Mr. Butterworth is known in Washington as a "Marshall man," having been installed in his present post by the former Secretary of State who brought him here from Nanking.

Mr. Butterworth's administrative ability as Counselor of the Embassy at Nanking while the General was there attempting to mediate in the Chinese civil war.

Virtually all Mr. Butterworth's diplomatic career, outside of 18 months in China, has been spent in posts in Europe and elsewhere except for his first position as Vice-Consul at Singapore.

Many Congressional and other critics of the United States Far Eastern policy, who contend that the American attitude is largely responsible for the Communist successes in China, tend to attribute that attitude to Mr. Butterworth, since he was the link on policy between the Marshall and Acheson regimes. Diplomatic observers expect those opinions to cause intensive interrogation of Mr. Butterworth when the Senate considers his nomination for his new post.

It is when Mr. Acheson, assisted by Mr. Butterworth and other advisers, considers an enunciation of United States policy for containing Communism in Asia, they will be working within the broad framework already provided by official statements by Mr. Acheson and other officials on this subject.

Ten days ago Mr. Acheson said the United States would not consider participating in any Pacific

pact similar to the Atlantic alliance at this time. The reason he gave was that the present internal conflicts in Asia make it impossible to find a firm foundation for such a pact.

On the other hand, American officials have assured Japanese and Koreans that they will not abandon them to Communist aggression. Similar assurances of a verbal nature have been given to the Philippines and nations of South East Asia.

Observers conclude that any Far Eastern programme will be worked out somewhere between those two positions. They believe one of Mr. Acheson's first jobs when he returns from Paris will be to determine with the help of his advisers where the policy line should be drawn and how it can be implemented.

United Press.

U.S. TREASURER DEAD IN CRASH

Washington, May 29.

Mr. William Alexander Julian, Treasurer of the United States, was killed in a motor car collision today at Bethesda, Maryland.

Mr. Julian became Treasurer of the United States (a permanent post) on June 1, 1933, the first year of the Roosevelt Administration.

He graduated from Dodds College, Frankfort, Kentucky, in 1888 and began his career as a bank clerk.

He was successively a shoe manufacturer, President of the Queen City Trust Company and Vice-President of the Citizens' National Bank.

Jewish Women's Council Meets

Paris, May 29.

Delegates of Jewish women's organisations in nine countries met here today for the opening session of the International Council of Jewish Women, the first to be held in 20 years.

The convenor, Mrs. Joseph M. Welt, of the United States, said the Council's programme is non-political in nature to unite the efforts of Jewish women in all nations on behalf of the urgent needs of their own countries and World Jewry.

Delegates from the United States, Canada, Britain, France, Italy, Greece, South Africa, Switzerland and Holland attended.

Reuter.

Close Voting In Cyprus

Nicosia, May 29.

The first Municipal elections in Cyprus since 1946 ended today with a right wing victory by 13,000 votes to 11,000.

About 94 per cent of the Municipal electorate voted after the island's stiffest election campaign ever.

The 24,000 voters gave the right wingers control of three main towns and seven rural districts and municipalities, two more than before. The Communists held three towns and one rural district.

—Reuter.

Children Die In Sinking

Manila, May 29.

Thirty-eight passengers, including 30 children, are reported today from the Southern port city of Cebu to have perished when Wednesday night and Thursday morning when the motor-propelled banca (sail-boat) Providence sank while en route from Leyte Island to the Cebu coastal town of Bogo.

According to the chief of the police of Cebu city there are so far 55 survivors, the report added.

One of the survivors, Mrs. Francisco-Saneco de Sapad, aged 55, told the authorities that the boat struck something and began to sink immediately.

This was corroborated by another survivor, Mr. Miguel Arcubut, aged 29, who said that he was talking to the captain of the vessel when the boat hit some object and sank.

The mishap is considered to be one of the worst sea disasters in Cebu city's history in years.

—Reuter.

No Appeasement Over Germany

Ardingley, Sussex, May 30.

Mr. Harold MacMillan, former Secretary of State for Air and a prominent Conservative, said here today that a premature withdrawal of Western troops would expose Germany to a reputation on a vast scale of the Communist coup in Czechoslovakia.

"It would be a betrayal of Germany, and a still more terrible betrayal of France," he said.

"It would bring the Communist force to the Rhine without a blow and lose in a week the victories won in two successive wars by 11 years of agony. It would lead to the final abandonment of Europe by America."

Mr. MacMillan said that he would rather see the Paris conference of Foreign Ministers and in failure than a false and patched-up agreement.

"We want peace, but not appeasement," he said.

"The Western Allies hold the initiative; they must not lose it. We must reunite all Germany. The Eastern zone must be added to the Western zones."

"But it must be a unified Germany within the Western world, as part of Western Europe, and not as part of Eastern Europe."

Mr. MacMillan said that the aim should be a Federal Germany, as laid down in the Bonn Constitution, and Russia must allow free thought, speech and

BRITISH RAILWAY TOKEN STRIKE TIES UP TRAINS

London, May 29.

Railway communications between London and North East of England were slowed to a near-halt today by a strike of locomotive crews against schedules which would cause them to sleep away from home.

Earlier indications that there would be a complete paralysis were not confirmed, however.

A few trains were operated from King's Cross, London terminal, but passengers, forewarned of the railwaymen's week-end token strike, were few.

A British Railways spokesman said at noon today that of 999 drivers and firemen in the North Eastern and Eastern region due to come to work today, 263 actually reported for duty.

There is no official indication of the total number of railwaymen affected by the stoppage. Newspaper estimates had put the figure as high as 10,000.

Today's strike is the second of a series of 24-hour Sunday stoppages staged by the railwaymen in defiance of union orders to leave the dispute to settlement by negotiation.

Old Custom

A statement from the Railway's Executive, which runs the nationalised railway system, said that the lodging of railwaymen away from home is a long established practice recognised and confirmed by national agreement between the former railway companies and the trade unions, and is essential to the efficient and economical working of long distance traffic.

The Executive added that only a small proportion of the staff, 68 men out of 5,430 drivers and firemen on the Edinburgh-London route, are affected, having to stay away from home about one night a week.

—Reuter.

U.S. ARMY LEAVING KOREA

New York, May 29.

United States Army forces have begun to withdraw from Korea and will have completed the movement by the end of July, Richard Johnston, "New York Times" correspondent in Seoul, reported today.

Johnston quoted highest American authorities as the source of his information.

He said that the Army is moving swiftly and quietly to turn over the bulk of its supplies to the Korean Republic and transfer its 7,500 men and officers to Japan, Hawaii and the United States.

Troops leaving Korea will carry little more than personal effects and a change of uniform, leaving behind for the expanding Korean army weapons and ammunition, machinery, spare parts, trucks, jeeps and communications equipment, Johnston said.

There is strong opposition within the Korean Government to the withdrawal, he added.

State Department representatives remain silent for the present except to say that discussions with the Korean Government are continuing.

—Reuter.

WINSTON ACCUSED

London, May 29.

The Attorney-General Sir Hartley Shawcross, today accused the former Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, of shameful misrepresentation in a speech yesterday strongly attacking the Labour Government.

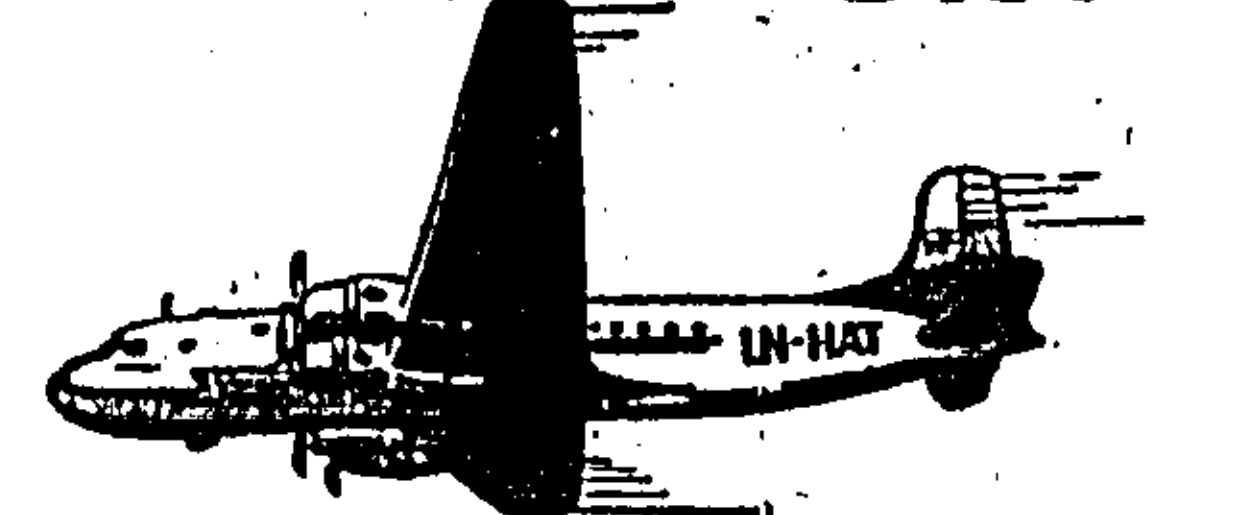
"Mr. Churchill, by wilfully misrepresenting some remarks by Mr. Morrison, said we were threatening to prevent a Conservative Government being returned by constitutional means and from discharging its functions of government, and that we threatened to sabotage the free workings of constitutional government," said Sir Hartley.

He told his audience at Brierly Hill, Staffordshire: "Such shameful misrepresentation is unworthy of a British statesman."

In an address to a Conservative rally at Chigwell, Essex, on Saturday, Mr. Churchill predicted that the Government may call a general election this Autumn rather than in 1950, as a means of catching the Conservatives off guard.

—United Press.

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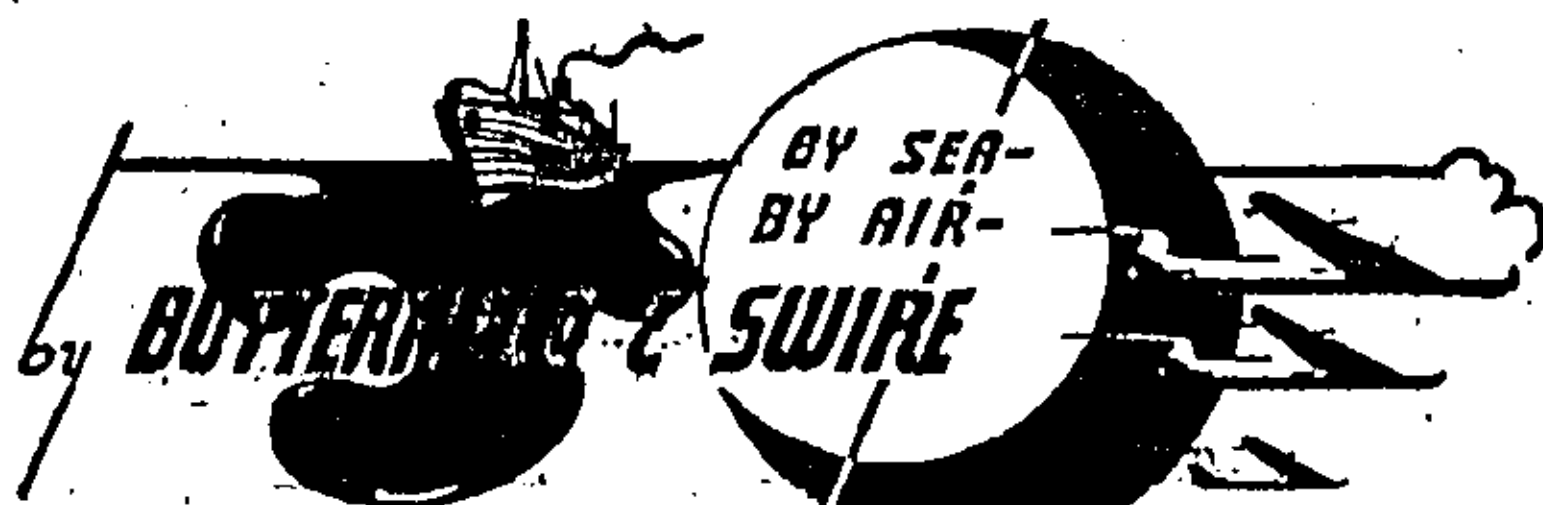
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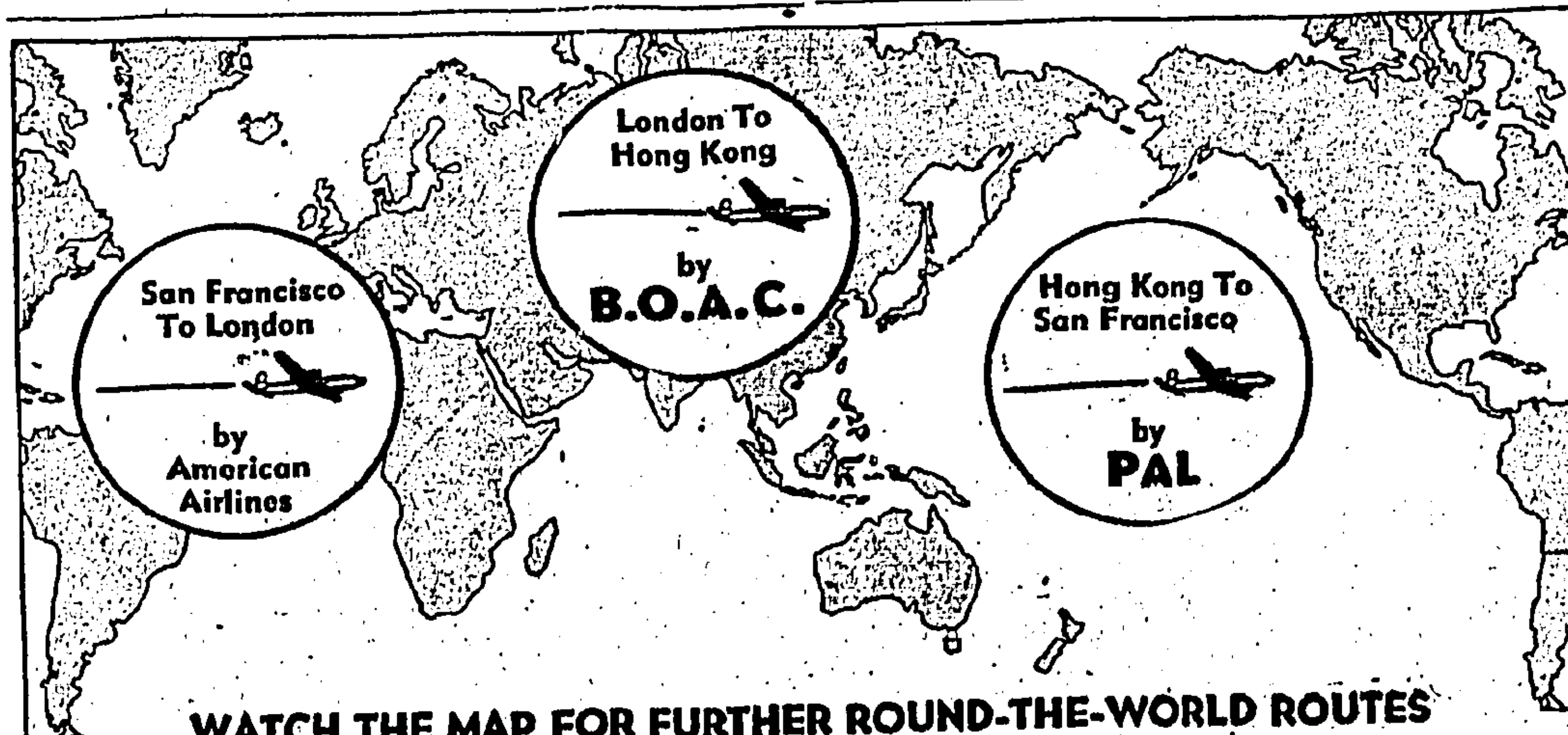
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On the First Day, Saturday, 4th June, the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.; on the Second Day, Monday 6th June, the First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12 noon. The Tiffin interval will be after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

Through Numbers (22 Races—\$44.00) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 each day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of the Member, such Member, to be responsible for all chits etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. the First Day and at 9.30 a.m. on the Second Day. The Secretary's office will close at 11.45 a.m. the First Day and at 10 a.m. on the Second Day. Both Offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 3 Boy (Tel. 27518).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tio Tao men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

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COMMUNIST CONGRESS OPENS IN BERLIN

Berlin, May 29.

The Red flag of the Soviet Union and the green, red, and gold banner of the Weimar Republic flew in the flower-bedecked Berlin State Opera House today as 1,500 delegates met for the two-day session of the Communist-sponsored German People's Congress.

Soviet officials looked down from a reserved box on the delegates, who include 200 chosen from among the "democratic groups" in Western Germany, where the Congress is banned.

German Rations For Foreigners

Berlin, May 29.

Foreign businessmen and members of foreign missions in the American zone of Germany will get only German rations from July 1, American headquarters announced today.

From that day they will have to rely on German sources for their food, petrol and accommodation, at present supplied through the American Army.

An official American statement explains that the Western German economy has recovered sufficiently to allow such agencies and persons to be accommodated without undue strain.

Accredited press, radio and newsreel correspondents of the four occupying Powers will not be affected by the order, since they fulfil an essential function of the occupation, the announcement stated.

The new regulation will apply only to the American zone, and not to the American sector of Berlin, where present conditions do not warrant any change, the announcement said.—Reuter.

BRITISH NOTE ON BERLIN

Berlin, May 29.

The British Military Commandant in Berlin, Major-General G. K. Bourne, today wrote to Herr Wilhelm Kreikmeyer, head of the Soviet Zone Railways, which operate in the Western sectors of Berlin, that it is his duty to settle the grievances of the 13,000 striking railwaymen at the earliest possible moment.

The General rejected the accusations made by Herr Kreikmeyer in a letter that he had used German police to support the strikers. He said that many of the strikers' breakers which Herr Kreikmeyer had sent to the Western sectors to take over the operation of the railway could not be identified as genuine railway workers.

"I am satisfied that the railway workers of Berlin cannot be efficient if run by strike-breakers, not only because of the technical difficulties involved, but also because of the solidarity of all workers where injustice is concerned,"—Reuter.

FORECAST FOR COMMODITIES

New York, May 30.

Many commodity prices which have not yet turned downward from their post-war peaks will soon start sharp declines, the editor of the 1949 Commodity Year Book said.

These include some metal products and building materials.—Associated Press.

The Eastern German delegates were elected by ballot two weeks ago, when voters had the option of voting "Yes" or "No" to a single list of candidates. The veteran Communist leader, Herr Wilhelm Pieck, co-Chairman of the Socialist Unity Party, told the delegates that they are the only legal representatives of the German people.

He attacked the Western powers' Paris proposals for a new organization in Germany, describing them as contemptuous and intended to undermine German self-respect.

On his recommendations, the Assembly decided to send a delegation to the Foreign Ministers' Conference in Paris to make the German opinion on Germany's future quite clear.

Herr Max Reimann, West German Communist leader who was reported earlier this week to have disappeared from Frankfurt, was this afternoon in Derendorf Prison, Duesseldorf. German police arrested him this morning at Paderborn, in the British Zone.

He should have been addressing the People's Congress here, where loud boing and cries of "Shame" greeted the announcement that he had been arrested on British orders.

British Ban

Herr Pieck told the delegates that the Military Government had refused Herr Reimann permission to leave the British Zone. He should have been among the 200 West German delegates.

It had been expected that Herr Reimann's speech would be read for him at the Congress, but Herr Pieck announced that his speech would not be read unless the circumstances of his arrest should make it desirable.

The Congress this afternoon unanimously decided to send a telegram to the British Military Government asking for Herr Reimann's immediate release. A statement from the British Military Government headquarters in Berlin this evening said: "On February 1, 1949, Herr Reimann was given a sentence of three months' imprisonment by a Control Commission court in Duesseldorf for an offence under Ordinance 8, Section 1. On February 12 this sentence was suspended and Herr Reimann was released from prison in order that he should be enabled to complete his duties as a delegate to the Parliamentary Council. These duties now having been completed he has been returned to prison to complete his sentence."—Reuter.

PI CONSULATE IN NEW DELHI

Manila, May 30.

It is officially announced that a Philippine Consulate is to be established shortly at New Delhi, India.

Mr. Meyardo Farol, Philippine consul at Portland, Oregon, will head the New Delhi Consulate. The Portland Consulate is being closed and Mr. Farol is expected to return to Manila shortly.—United Press.

Premiers In Germany Meet

Frankfurt, May 29.

The four American zone German Premiers hurriedly convened at Koenigstein near here today to hear a report on the Paris Foreign Ministers' Conference by the American Military Governor, General George Hays.

Berlin's Western Mayor, Professor Ernst Reuter and the President of the Bizone Economic Council, Dr. Erich Koehler, also attended the conference.—Reuter.

Czechs To Catch 'Em Young

Prague, May 29.

Attendance at Czechoslovakian kindergartens is to be made compulsory so that the education of children of all classes for Communism may start in their earliest years, the Education Minister, Mr. Zdenek Nejedly, told the Ninth Communist Party Conference here.

In a speech published last night he said: "The aim is to root out remnants of bourgeoisie and Pharise morality and create a really new, a really Communist man."

Part of the plan for education has been a purge of the teaching profession, he said. The Information Minister, Mr. Václav Kopecky, told the conference that the suggestions will bring some indication of how far the Russians are willing to go in order to reach an agreement.

The critical turning point of the conference has not been reached, however. This may come about on Thursday when the Foreign Ministers turn to the Berlin question.

Here the basis of a settlement is the desire of the West to reach a permanent settlement of the tangled transport and currency situation, and the desire of the East for a renewal of East-West German trade.

MORRISON HEAD IN MANILA

Manila, May 29.

Mr. Harry W. Morrison, President of the world-famed engineering and construction firm, Morrison Knudsen Company Inc., who arrived during the week-end by air from Calcutta, is here to inspect the activities of his firm at the Manila International airport and other Company interests. Accompanied by his wife, Mr. Morrison intends to remain in Manila until the end of this month. The Morrises are on a world tour by sea and air.—Reuter.

Electoral Law For Trizonia Approved

Frankfurt, May 29.

The three Western Military Governors have finally approved, with minor modifications, the electoral law for West Germany, drawn up by the Bonn Constituent Assembly.

Informing the 11 West German Premiers of their approval, the Allied Military Governors said that they hope a majority of the Premiers will approve and authorize the modifications, fix the date for the general election and issue implementing regulations in their respective states.

The Governors declared their willingness to receive and examine counter-proposals. The West German Premiers

were asked not to attempt to make any changes in the main structure of the law as passed by the Assembly.

This means that there will be no need to reconvene the Assembly on this issue and that it will now probably dissolve itself.

The chief change requested by the Military Governors is that all executive functions connected with the election should be carried out by the Premiers and not by the Assembly.

The Governors also reiterated their decision that Berlin representatives should have no voting rights in the Federal Parliament and that their number should not exceed eight.

Finally, the Governors requested that no candidate should stand for Federal election outside the State in which he lives and none in more than one constituency.

Objections may be raised to this last point as many German leaders have close political ties in areas remote from their home and several parties are anxious to choose Berlin political leaders as candidates in West German States.—Reuter.

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RUSSIANS EXPECTED AGAIN TO REPLY "NO"

Western Proposal On German Unity

Paris, May 30.

American sources predict that Russia will say "no" to Western proposals for unification of Germany under the Bonn West German constitution.

These sources say the best that can be hoped for from the current Foreign Ministers' talks is a renewal of East-West German trade and a practical operating agreement on Berlin.

Russian sources said that the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vishinsky, is in contact with Moscow by telephone and telegraph. M. Vishinsky is expected to deliver his answer to Western proposals on Monday when the big four Foreign Ministers start the second week of the current session.

Russian sources stress that M. Vishinsky in his first reaction to the Western plan said it is little suited as a basis for agreement. They declare that he means exactly what he said. If M. Vishinsky had disliked the proposals as a basis for discussion he would have said so.

Western delegations, therefore, while largely convinced that the Russians will reject the proposal, are hopeful that the suggestions will bring some indication of how far the Russians are willing to go in order to reach an agreement.

American sources say, however, that the positions taken so far by the East and West offer little possibility of compromise in an overall settlement.

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By Week-End

The West hopes that in return for this trade Russia will be willing to make a settlement on Berlin.

By the end of the week the Western delegations hope to

have a definite idea of what chances there are of a limited settlement on Germany or whether the conference will break up in deadlock like the previous ones.

The official Berlin newspaper of the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party, the "Neues Deutschland," described the British Foreign Minister's (Mr. Ernest Bevin's) counter-proposal in Paris yesterday for a re-organization of Germany as a sincere and worse than that, a menace.

The newspaper said that the three Western Powers want to extend the Bonn Constitution and the Occupation Statute to Eastern Germany and thus give themselves the opportunity of drawing the whole of Germany into the Atlantic Pact and the third world war—without the Germans having any right to say a word against it.

This is evident from Article 24 of the Bonn Constitution which allows the Confederation to limit its sovereignty in the interest of a wider European organization, the "Neues Deutschland" said. "It is obvious that the 'counter-proposal' of the three Western Foreign Ministers cannot even be considered by any responsible German of whatever party, whatever profession, whatever zone," it added. "This proposal offers no unity, only a deliberate subjection to the aims of better exploitation tomorrow."

Schuman Cheerful

The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, who came to Strasbourg today from the Foreign Ministers' Conference in Paris said that he hopes the four-power talks will prove to be a milestone on the road to peace.

Addressing the Annual Congress of the Popular Republican Party, M. Schuman said that it is too early to speak with any certainty, but he hopes the talks will, in any case, lead to the abandoning of the cold war.

The Soviet proposal for a return to quadripartite control of Germany was described by M. Schuman as a fragmentary proposal and a bad modus vivendi. "I hope we shall not have to withdraw to so defective a position," he added. "France wants a solution for Germany for its own sake and not against anybody. For us, Germany is not a pawn, and must not be considered as a potential accomplice in a future conflict. We do not want anybody to use Germany against Russia."

M. Schuman then made a reference to the developments after the war of 1914-18. "Certain people talk of Rapallo," he said. (The Treaty of Rapallo, signed on April 16, 1922, between Germany and Russia, cancelled mutual claims to reparations and provided most-favoured nation treatment in trade dealings).

"I can assure them," M. Schuman declared, "that the Soviet proposal cannot form a useful background to anything like Rapallo."

M. Schuman declared. Associated Press and Reuter.

RAILWAY STRIKE STALEMATE

Berlin, May 29.

West Berlin's railway strike settled down into its second week today in complete stalemate, with no sign of a settlement and with rail traffic on the Helmsdorf-Berlin line at a standstill.

Meanwhile, Anglo-American air-lift planes dropped into Berlin's three airports in perfect weather at the rate of two every three minutes, bringing in today a total of 6,370 metric tons. Goods lorries streamed down the Autobahn at the same time, with loads of food and industrial products from Western Germany.

No trains have arrived in Berlin since last Thursday and American railway officials still have no news of 34 trains of coal and food stranded on the single track railway, many of them carrying perishable goods.

The striking Independent Railway Union, which is blamed by the Soviet rail authorities for the traffic hold-up, maintained its refusal to accept the 60 per cent payment in West marks offered by the Soviet zone rail chief, Herr Willi Kreikmeyer.

A common view among Western observers is that the only solution to the stalemate lies with the Foreign Ministers in Paris. Should a single currency for Germany be introduced the question of East mark or West mark would disappear.

A spokesman for the strikers said that if their demands, which also include recognition of their union by the East German Economic Administration, are met, they can have all the trains in Western Berlin running normally again in 24 hours.—Reuter.

SOVIET MEDICAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Moscow, May 29.

The creation of an artificial oesophagus (gullet) by surgical means was described during the reports to the annual Conference of the Sklifosovsky Scientific Research Institute in Moscow, the Soviet news agency, Tass, announced.

The reports, dealing with the achievements of the Institute, also described operations for removing tumours from the oesophagus and the stomach, new methods of treating fractures of the thigh, reducing by five-sixths the time needed for recovery; and new skin transplanting methods for severe cases of burn.—Reuter.

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HEAVY CASUALTY TOLL IN GREECE

Athens, May 29.
Greek Forces lost 826 officers and 10,101 men killed in fighting against the guerrillas from June, 1946, to March, 1949.
The guerrillas in the same period are known to have lost 28,992 dead, their bodies having been found on the battlefield.

Left Wing Looks At Indo-China

Moscow, May 29.
The Foreign Literature Publishing House in Moscow has published a book called "The Truth About Vietnam," a collection of articles published in Paris and written by left wing French intellectuals, the Soviet news agency, Tass, said today.

The Soviet Army newspaper, "Red Star," in a review of the book today, said the Republic has effected a notable political and economic transformation. The article reviews the achievements of Vietnam, including labour legislation, agricultural reform and cultural development.

The newspaper said: "The consolidation of the Republic of Vietnam is a thorn in the side of the French monopolists, who formerly made thousands of millions in profits from exploiting the national wealth of Indo-China and its peoples."

"Since the trip made to Saigon in September, 1947, by the Wall Street Journal, Mr. William Bullitt, the American monopolies have come over to open interference in the affairs of Vietnam," the "Red Star" stated.

The newspaper said the establishment of a puppet government headed by General Nguyen Van Xuan in May last year, and the agreement between France and the former Emperor, Bao Dai, were carried out on the direct instruction of the American monopolists.

"Despite all their efforts, the French colonial imperialists have not succeeded in bringing the people of Vietnam to their knees,"—Reuter.

Liberal Landslide In Election

St. John's, May 29.
The returns in Newfoundland's first provincial elections since its union with Canada today indicated a Liberal landslide.

The final results are not expected until the middle of the week and two districts will not begin to count their votes until tomorrow, because stormy weather has delayed collecting of ballot boxes.

Out of 10 districts' votes counted up to midnight on Saturday, the Liberals had won eight and the Conservatives and Independents one each. Then polls remain to be counted.

A close contest is expected in the capital, St. John's, where the Liberals lead by 300 votes in the West End and the Conservatives have an almost identical lead in the East End. The result is expected to be announced tomorrow afternoon.—Reuter.

The following casualty figures were given tonight by the Greek General Staff:
Greek forces: killed—officers 826, men 10,101. Wounded—officers 1,290, men 21,901. Missing—3,758. Total 37,934.
Guerrillas: killed (found on battlefields) 28,992. Prisoners—13,105. Surrendered—27,931. Total—70,028.

No figures are available for guerrilla wounded, carried off by the guerrilla forces and cared for in hospitals in adjoining countries, the communiqué said.

Civilians: executed by guerrillas—3,516. Killed by mines—731. Total—4,247.

The statement added that 402 railway bridges and 400 road bridges had been destroyed, 11,750 houses burnt or demolished, 54 schools and 85 railway stations destroyed, 9,922 villages looted, 31,000 head of cattle, 40,492 draught animals and 1,253,580 sheep carried off.

Surrender Call
Twenty-eight thousand children were taken to neighbouring countries and 703,000 people had had to leave their homes.

All these details are included in a proclamation, which the Athens news agency said tonight, was showered in thousands by plane over areas where the guerrillas are still fighting.

The proclamation calls on them to surrender.
"The Greek Army guarantees your safety, security and return to your home, and calls on you to take part in the reconstruction of Greece," it said.—Reuter.

Italian Strike May Spread

Rome, May 30.
Italy today faced threats of further stoppages as the strike of its 2,000,000 farm workers entered its 12th day.

The Communist-led General Labour Confederation (CGIL) yesterday called a general strike of building trade workers after a breakdown in the negotiations for a wage increase.

Turin textile workers decided to strike from June 1 and Treasury workers will support their union's decision for a one-day strike on the same day.

Rome restaurant and bar waiters threatened to stop work tomorrow if their demands for higher pay are not met by then, thus joining the 3,000 hotel workers who have been out since last Wednesday.—Reuter.

LABOUR PROTEST

Johannesburg, May 29.
The South African Labour Party today called a special meeting to protest against the action of the Minister of the Interior, Dr. T. E. Dönges, in withdrawing a passport from the Secretary of the Garment Workers' Union, Mr. E. S. Sachs. Mr. Sachs had planned to attend the International Conference of Textile and Garment Workers at Lyons, France, later this month.

The party statement said that Mr. Sachs' presence at the conference is vital to the workers and to the economic development of South Africa.—Reuter.

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Civil Service Strike Over

Athens, May 29.
Thirty thousand public servants in Greek State-controlled institutions, who have been on strike for the past week for increased pay, will return to work tomorrow.

The Government has accepted part of their claim for bigger salaries. Athens Radio, whose employees took part in the strike, has been off the air since last Monday.—Reuter.

GREEK AMNESTY

London, May 29.
The Greek Government is to declare an amnesty which will pardon all crimes committed by bandits in the Peloponnese, providing those pardoned take no further hostile action towards the Government troops and the population, Athens Radio reported.—Reuter.

Spiritual Danger

Helsinki, May 30.
A Finnish trade delegation will leave for Moscow early in June to negotiate an expansion of the Finnish-Russian trade agreement, the government announced on Sunday.—Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 30.
Dr. Arthur H. Compton says the American people, after a few weeks of active peace offensive, already feel a false security.
Yet, said the atomic physicist, in China, Communism is in the very process of overpowering with armed force a great section of the world which a year ago was on the side of the West.

"At the same time in New York and Paris, Communism talks loudly of its ardent desire for peace, points to the Western democracies in their mutual protection pact as war mongers, and thus lulls a credulous American public into the belief that we have no need to fear Communist military aggression."

Dr. Compton urged the American people to keep before them a common goal.
"If we accept in all earnestness the goal of making ourselves an enduring society of worthy persons, answers to the problems before us can be found."

"Never have we faced more serious dangers. The threats are military, economic, social and above all, spiritual."

He said the threats before the American people had been brought into sharp focus by the Russian challenge.
"When within one or more decades Russia is ready to match us in atomic war, can the West

Gunners' Memorial Unveiled

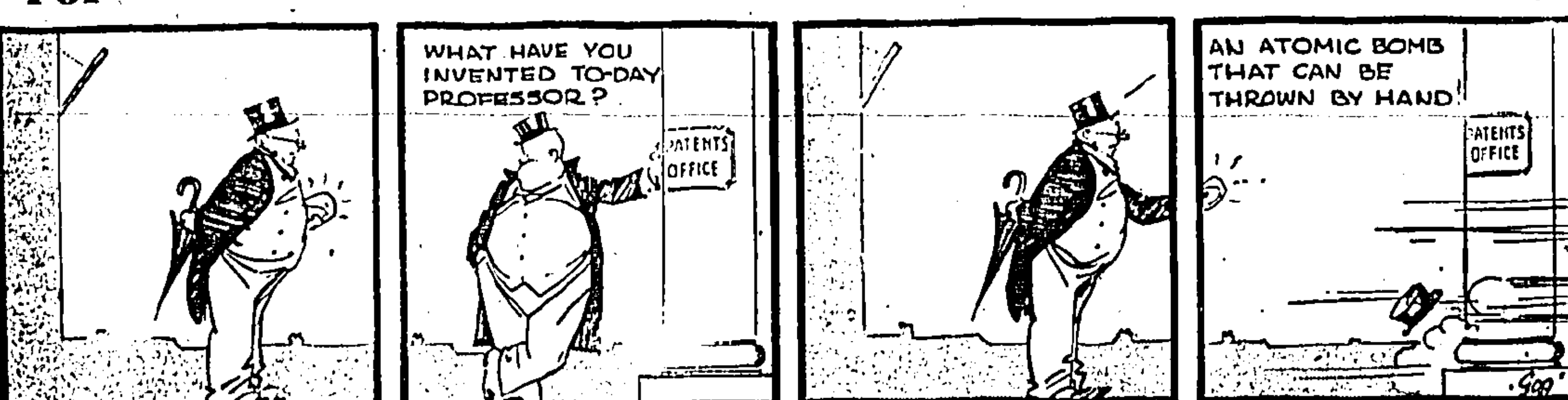
London, May 30.
Princess Elizabeth yesterday unveiled a memorial to British artillerymen who died in World War II.

Thousands packed Hyde Park Corner as the Princess, flanked by veterans of the first world war and "Reefers" guards from the Tower of London, declared: "The King, Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, has asked me to convey to you his pride in the Regiment and sympathy with the relatives of the fallen."

The memorial is a group of bronze panels commemorating 28,924 men of the Regiment who fell between 1939 and 1945.

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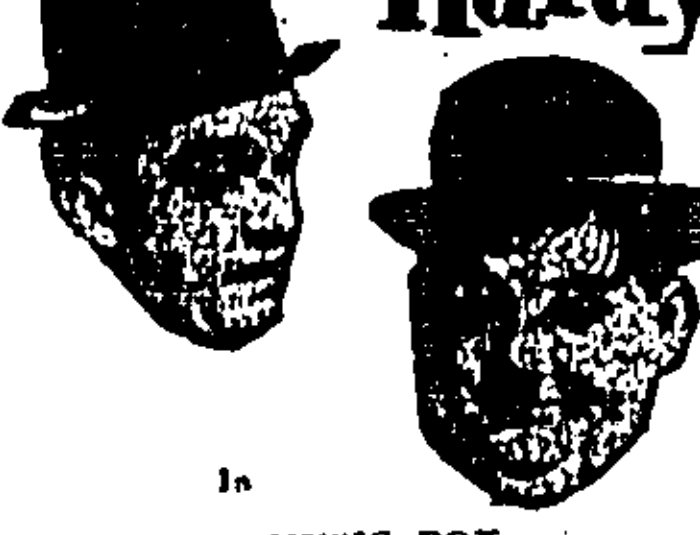
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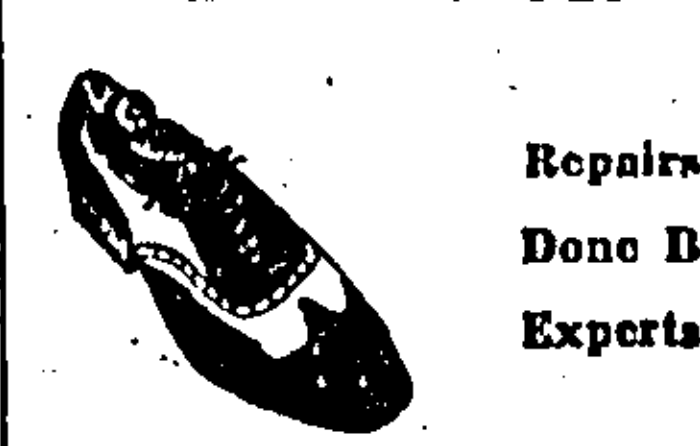
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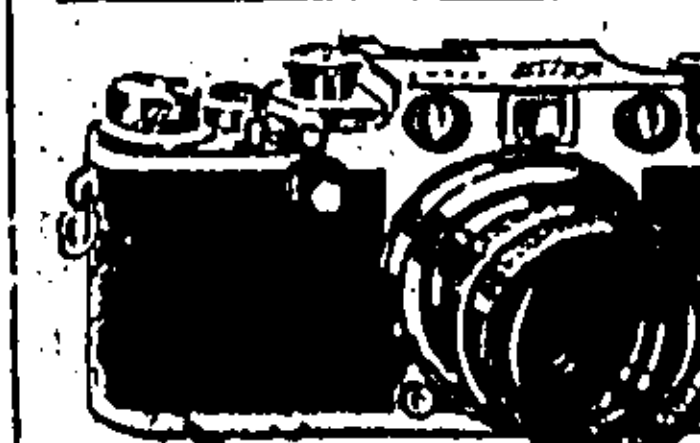


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BROTHER, SISTER IN COURT

A brother and sister came before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday as defendant and complainant.

Ng Kwok-wah, aged 24 of 68, Village Road was charged with forging a signature on a transfer of ownership form, with intent to effect sale unlawfully.

Inspector Thomas, prosecuting, said that the complainant, Ng Kwok-ying reported to the Police on April 25 that defendant had sold a Hillman car and alleged that he had forged her deceased father's signature to facilitate the sale of the car.

The prosecuting officer went on to say that defendant in the adopted son, and complainant the natural daughter of Ng Man founder and Managing Director of Far Eastern Supply Company, who died in 1947. The car was sold by Ng Man just before his death.

Defendant had applied for power to administer the estate but was refused. In March, 1948, he took out a mortgage for \$10,000 from Central Trust giving as security certain goods which were part of the estate, valued at \$32,000. He was unable to meet the mortgage and the goods were sold but the amount realised was still \$2,700 short of the mortgage.

On being pressed for payment, he had sold the car. Mr. S. N. Quinn for the defence, told the court that defendant did apply to his firm for administration of the estate but was turned down. He said that defendant and complainant were not on friendly terms, both wishing to administer the estate, and that the defendant did not use the money for his own purpose. Part of it went to meet funeral expenses.

A conviction in the form of a caution was registered against defendant.

THE PRESS MEETS MR. NICOLL

Mr. J. F. Nicoll, Hong Kong's new Colonial Secretary, was introduced to the Press of the Colony at a cocktail party at the Jacobson Room, Hong Kong Hotel, yesterday evening.

Mr. W. G. Harmon, the Public Relations Officer and Mrs. Davies, received the guests who, besides the local Press, included many visiting journalists. Mr. Nicoll chatted with correspondents and editors, and took a keen interest in all aspects of local problems.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

Outward Mails

It is hereby notified that mail to Shanghai and North China cannot be accepted until further notice. Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 10 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m. Registered and Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

TUESDAY, MAY 31

Closing Times by Air

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Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.

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Ordinary Airmail (printed matters, samples and small packet posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

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Closing Times by Sea

Straits, 10 a.m.

Japan, Noon.

Rabaul, 2 p.m.

Batavia, 3 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

Closing Times by Air

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Tiger Seen At Fanling

A big tiger was seen in the Fanling area on Sunday. Mr. Tang Chuen, manager of the Un Long theatre, fired at the animal but was unable to say whether he hit it. The tiger disappeared in the undergrowth.

Following a report to the Police Station, groups of constables were sent out to warn golfers at Fanling, farmers and hikers.

Chaves Case Heard At Kowloon

The month-long case against Carlo Henrique Chaves, aged 60, of 455 Lockhart Road, first floor, charged with obtaining money by false pretences on three counts, was again heard at Kowloon yesterday.

During a previous hearing the original charges against defendant were obtained credit by a trick on two counts and obtaining money by false pretences. On May 12, the original charges were amended to the present ones. Yesterday, Mr. P. J. Griffiths, representing the defence, explained to the court the position of his client.

He said that any person accused of an offence is entitled to call upon the prosecution to make out a case for the accused to answer. He is also entitled to require that such case be made out accordingly to the well accepted principles of English law.

However, if the case brought by the prosecution failed to fulfil the standard required by law the defendant is entitled to submit that he has no case to answer and therefore be discharged on technical grounds.

This, Mr. Griffiths added, is the duty of the defence counsel. "I am advised that in this case my client is faced with a charge which is undoubtedly a defence on the merits, I find that there are submissions backed by the authority of law case which I submit can result only in one answer," continued Mr. Griffiths.

Fined For Gold Import

Chan Kai-chor, aged 37, native of Hunan province, was fined \$1,200 by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for importing eight taels of gold valued at \$1,120, without a permit.

The gold was ordered to be returned to defendant.

Defendant was arrested by revenue officers at the Kowloon Railway Station on May 28 during searching of incoming passengers from Canton.

The gold was found by revenue officers hidden on defendant's body. Two bars were concealed in his shoes.

Defendant claimed that he was a refugee from Shanghai via Canton where he bought the gold with silver dollars. He also claimed that he had to support a large family and the gold was his only source of cash.

Revenue Inspector A. Fowler prosecuted.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

12.15 p.m.—Religious Talk. (DUTCH)

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.45 p.m.—Salon Concert (Vocal).

1.00 p.m.—Adelaide Hall (Vocal).

1.15 p.m.—Walter (Vocal).

1.30 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—"From the Shows."

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

2.15 p.m.—Programme Summary.

2.30 p.m.—Children's Story: "Dragons and Unicorns" by Barnaby Twist (Studio).

2.45 p.m.—Light Variety with Rafael Mendez (Trumpet).

3.00 p.m.—Continued by Radio given by Miss Lee Wei Lan and B. K. Lee (Studio).

3.15 p.m.—Paul Laval and His Woodwindy Trio.

3.30 p.m.—American Letter by Allister Cooke. (London Relay).

3.45 p.m.—The Kingsway Symphony Orchestra.

4.00 p.m.—Some New Releases from Stage and Screen presented by Allen Woods. (Studio).

4.15 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).

4.30 p.m.—Meet the "Parsons" (Studio).

4.45 p.m.—"The Blue Danube" A Cavalcade of Music of 19th Century Europe.

5.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).

5.15 p.m.—"The Hidden Treasure" (Radio Relay).

5.30 p.m.—Author (Miss Macaulay) comes to the microphone to discuss her work with readers. (DUTCH)

5.45 p.m.—Chamber Music (Studio).

6.00 p.m.—The No. 1 to 15 Major Op. 99 (Schubert) Arthur Rubinstein, Jascha Heifetz and Emanuel Feuermann.

6.15 p.m.—Songs with Winnie The Melodious Strings with Marjorie Thomas. (ORCHE)

6.30 p.m.—Songs to Guy Lombardo and The Royal Canadian. (Radio Relay).

6.45 p.m.—Radio News. (London Relay).

7.00 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.

7.15 p.m.—Radio News.

Pirated Vessel Arrives In HK

The converted LST Kong Lat, which was boarded by Pearl River Delta pirates near Lin Fat Shan on May 10 while en route to Hong Kong arrived here on Sunday evening for repairs.

It is believed that two of the five hostages whom the pirates held for ransom are dead. This, however, could not be confirmed locally.

Six hostages mostly cargo owners were taken by the pirates when they looted the Kong Lat of HK\$700,000 worth of valuable cargo, personal effects and ship's chandlery.

One of the hostages who was identified as an engineer was released.

The comprador, who escaped capture by disguising himself as a greaser, reported the incident to the local agent, Kwong Sun Hong, yesterday.

Unemployed Sentenced Two Years

An unemployed man who claimed to be a travelling trader on the Kowloon-Canton Railway, was charged on three counts at Kowloon yesterday with stealing letters.

Wong Chung-man, aged 36, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour and also to deportation for life.

Defendant was seen by a District Watchman on May 28 going in and out of staircases in different houses peeping into the letter boxes.

Defendant was also seen throwing away a torn up letter.

Finally, at the junction of Canton Road and Saigon Street, the watchman stopped defendant and searched him. Three letters were found in defendant's possession.

Defendant admitted that he had stolen letters from letter boxes at 40, Shanghai Street, 30, Wei Ching Street and 169, Woosung Street.

The owners of the torn letter and two other letters were Ng Fui-lam, Lam Suk-tok and Li Ying-sing.

Li's letter contained two U.S. \$1 notes. The third letter, found on defendant, was not claimed.

Wedding At Peninsula

Miss Molly Reuben, daughter of Mrs. Regina S. Reuben, was married to Mr. David Sidney Odell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Odell, at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday. The marriage ceremony was performed according to traditional Hebrew rites by Rabbi Eleazer.

The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Victor Reuben. She wore a silver brocade gown with a Victoria collar, bell skirt, and long train. The headress was long train. The headress was composed of a pearl tiara with a long veil. She carried a bouquet of tudor lilies.

Mrs. Henriette Reuben was the matron-of-honour and the bridesmaids were Miss Elaine Sherbanee and Miss Joyce Huiyaly. The flower-girl, Misses Simona and Mimi Hyat.

Mr. Morris Reuben was the bestman, and Master D. Hazan the pageboy. Following a reception between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. the couple left for the New Territories for their honeymoon.

Talk Given On Saint

Under the auspices of the Institute section of the Portuguese Society a talk on Saint Francis Xavier was given yesterday at the Club Lusitano by Father F. Cronin, S.J., of Ricci Hall. Among the audience were the Right Reverend H. Valente, D.D., Catholic bishop of Hong Kong, the Right Reverend J. D. Ramalho, F.S.J., Catholic bishop of Macao, and Dr. E. Brazao, Portuguese Consul.

The speaker was introduced by Dr. Ollito do Sousa, President of the Portuguese Institute Science section.

At the year, 1949, during the days of the end of May and early June, began Father Cronin, "there is a celebration in Japan of the fourth centenary of the introduction of Christianity into that country by St. Francis Xavier. So it is an appropriate occasion for the character and work of this very remarkable man."

The biography of St. Francis Xavier was related from the time of his birth on April 7, 1506. The trials, tribulations, and eventual success of that great Saint, in that country were vividly painted by Father Cronin.

S'hai Rice Ships Return With Grain

Two of three Chinese steamers sent by the Economic Co-operation Administration with rice to Shanghai returned here yesterday after futile efforts to discharge the grain at the Northern port.

The Hal Lich, which had aboard 8,889 tons of ECA rice when she left here for the North, is still somewhere in the China Sea.

The three Chinese ships were originally instructed to sail up the Whangpoo River and deliver their cargoes at Shanghai to augment the city's rapidly dwindling rice stocks. Heavy fighting on both banks prevented the ships from going upriver.

They anchored off Woosung, with the intention of utilising small craft to bring the grain to the then beleaguered city. This plan failed when tugs, launchers and lighters were not available. The Hung Chang, Tai Tien and Hal Lich subsequently called at Keelung whence they sailed again to Woosung trying for the second time to deliver the rice.

Lack of communication with the local office of the ECA and the owners, Lina Merchants Steamship Navigation Company, prevented the local authorities from following their operations.

EUROPEAN FINED \$50

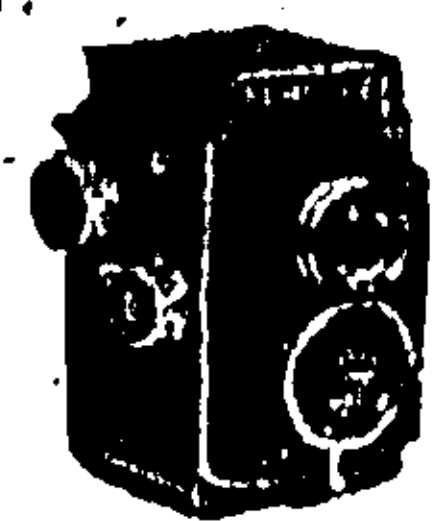
Captain I. L. Lane, RA, was fined \$50 at Central yesterday for driving a private car without a driving licence.

He was driving the car along Jaffe Road when the vehicle collided with two rickshaws and went out of control, running into the fence of a garage belonging to the Government Sanitary Department.

Compensation of \$80 and \$30 to the rickshaw colliers and \$25 to the Sanitary Department was ordered to be paid.

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Sussex Declare At 276 For Seven

Hova, May 30.

The New Zealanders continued their match against Sussex here today in fine weather and by lunch time Sussex had compiled 276 runs for seven wickets, at which total they declared their innings closed.

Sussex resumed this morning with four men out for 170, John Langridge then being not out for 92 and James Langridge not out for three. John completed his fifth century of the season for his county when after 20 minutes a cut for two off Cresswell took him to 101 out of 183, the result of four hours and 25 minutes of batting, in which he hit ten fours.

This was the third three-figure innings put together against the touring side.

Accurate bowling and fielding kept the batsmen mainly on the defensive. Runs came fairly slowly, James Langridge taking over an hour for 12 runs. Wallace changed his bowlers frequently but the Langridge brothers appeared well set when James was caught in attempting to drive Rabone. His 10 had taken almost 100 minutes and half the side were out for 217.

Langridge's 150
The 280 was obtained in five and half hours with John Langridge making his individual 150 in approximately the same time. He added another four before snicking a catch to the wicket-

keeper at 241. His knock included 18 fours.
Griffith followed at 260 and lunch was taken at 270 for seven with Onkes not out for 11 and James not out for three.
Scores: Sussex, 1st innings.
John Langridge, c. Mooney, 154
b. Burke 30
Smith, b. Rabone 30
Onkes, b. Hayes 4
Bartlett, c. Smith, b. Burke 25
Cox, c. Mooney, b. Burke 4
James Langridge, c. Cowie, b. Rabone 10
S. Griffith, c. Mooney, b. Rabone 13
J. Onkes, not out 11
A. James, not out 3
Extras 13
Total (for seven decl.): 276

SCAA Beats CRC In Net Upset

South China Athletic Association created the first major upset of the Lawn Tennis League season, when they defeated CRC, the holders, by five games to three in the Mixed Doubles "A" Division match yesterday.

One set was unfinished. In the other two matches played, LRO beat HKCC by five games to four and KCC accounted for USBC by 7½ games to 1½.

SCAA beat CRC, 5-3.
Ip Koon-hong and Miss C. Y. Chang lost to Tsui Wal-pui and Mrs. Emlu Lo, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, beat Lee Wal-tong and Miss Lau Hwa-yee 6-3.
Edward Choy and Mrs. Chan beat Tsui and Mrs. Litton 6-4, 6-2, 6-2, beat Lee and Mrs. Litton 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.
If J. Armstrong and Mrs. Cooper beat Mrs. Slagter and J. Mackle 6-4, beat D. Nolan and Mrs. Kite 6-3, beat W. J. D. Cooper and Mrs. Andrews 7-5.
C. Smart and Mrs. Tamworth lost to Mrs. Slagter and J. Mackle 6-0, lost to Nolan and Mrs. Kite 6-7, lost to Cooper and Mrs. Andrews 6-2.
J. Hurlbutt and Mrs. Shewan beat Mrs. Slagter and Kackie 6-2, lost to Nolan and Mrs. Kite 6-4, beat Cooper and Mrs. Andrews 6-2.
E. C. Fincher and Miss P. Ward lost to Rogers and Mrs. Williams 2-6, beat Drewitt and Mrs. Easterbrook 6-0, beat MacKroth and Mrs. Jones 6-1.
Capt. Turner Cook and Mrs. Stokes beat Rogers and Mrs. Williams 6-0, beat Drewitt and Mrs. Easterbrook 6-1, drew with MacKroth and Mrs. Jones 6-6.
T. B. Baker and Mrs. Labano beat Rogers and Mrs. Williams 6-2, beat Drewitt and Mrs. Easterbrook 6-1, beat MacKroth and Mrs. Jones 6-4.

LAWN BOWLS LINE UPS

The following players will represent KCC in their First Division Lawn Bowls League match against Rocio on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. at Rocio:
C. Thompson, W. Hong Sing, F. Goodwin and T. A. Mader (skip).
A.E.P. Guel, S.A. Gray, E.C. Fincher and J. Orem (skip).
Go. Lee, J. Wong, A.J. Kew and C.B. Roselet (skip).

The following will represent HKCC against Craigengower Cricket Club at Happy Valley at 5.15 p.m. tomorrow.
G.W. Bewell, R.R. Wood, W. Williams and R.H. Wild (skip).
N.D. Oliver, E.J.R. Mitchell, R.A. Edwards and A.W. Brown (skip).
A.D. Humphreys, H.J.D. Lowe, J. Skinner and H.P. Shields (skip).
Reserve: A.B. Eron.

Saigon Oarsmen



Six brawny oarsmen, from the Club Nautique de Saigon arrived in the Colony by Air France yesterday to meet the RHKYC in an interport regatta arranged for June 4. The oarsmen were accompanied by Mr. Horlin, President of the Saigon Yacht Club and Mrs. Balzai, rowing captain of the visitors were Mr. A. C. Nelson, acting rowing secretary, and two members of the local French community Mr. P. F. Degrand and his daughter. The visitors were taken by launch to the Yacht Club where arrangements have been made for their stay there.

Triple Tie For First Place In NL

New York, May 29.

Not all week-end holiday traffic was on the highways today. A good bit of it was at the top of the National League standings, where Brooklyn Dodgers, Boston Braves and New York Giants moved into a triple tie for first place.

The congestion developed when Dodgers defeated Braves, 3-2, and Giants swept a double header from Philadelphia Phillies, 4-2 in 15 innings and 3-0 in seven innings, as Hank Behrman pitched one hit ball to win the curfew-shortened nightcap.

Jackie Robinson, who leads the National League in runs batted in, added two more to make his total 38 when he lined a single to centre in the seventh inning to give Dodgers the runs they needed for a victory over lefty Warren Spahn. Robinson, who never previously was able to hit Spahn consistently during his three years in the Majors, got two of six hits for Brooklyn.

He got the winning hit with bases loaded, two out and Brooklyn trailing 2-1. Given that margin, lefty Joe Hatten pitched hitless ball the rest of way to chalk up his fourth win. Hatten gave up just five hits but wildness kept him in hot water. He walked seven batters.
In the opener at Philadelphia, Bobby Thomson smashed a two run homer in the 15th to win the longest game of the Major League season. Giants had a 1-0 lead until the ninth, when Phillies' Eddie Miller, Ken Trinkle, an infield out and Richie Ashburn's single. Both teams scored in the tenth. Johnny Mize and Augie Galan doubled in succession for Giants and Phils scored on a triple by Del Ennis and Stan Lopata's fly. Relief pitcher Dave Koslo was the victor.

One-Hit Game
In the second game, Behrman was given an early lead of 3-0, then withstood a rainstorm to

gain a one hit triumph in his first starting role for Giants. Andy Seminick got a hit to spoil his abbreviated no-hitter.
Four assorted streaks were ended in St. Louis as Pirates topped Cardinals, 4-1. Young Eddie Eratt pitched four hit ball to give Cincinnati a first game victory.
Paul Heston won his fifth game for the amazing Senators, holding Red Sox to nine hits for a 10-4 decision in Boston. Calvert had a shutout until Ted Williams homered in the eighth. Six made five straight hits for three more runs in the ninth. Clyde Vollmer and Eddie Robinson hit two run homers for Washington.

Sweep Series
A. Detroit, Hoot Evers hit his first homer of the season with a man on base to give Tigers a 6-4 victory over St. Louis and sweep their three-game series. Lou Kretlow, who relieved starter Art Houtman, was credited with the victory—his first. Detroit made 14 hits off three Brown pitchers, Don Kolloway getting four. Jerry Priddy hit a two run first inning homer for St. Louis. Lefty Alex Kellner of Athletics snapped New York's six game winning streak at Yankee Stadium, pitching a 3-1 victory as Eddie Joost provided an offensive lift with his ninth homer of the year, a two-run blast. Kellner also got a single and drove in a run and Buddy Rosar got three singles to pace Athletics.

Today's scores:
American League
R H E
St. Louis Browns 4 8 1
Detroit Tigers 6 14 1
Browns: p. Drows, Starr, Kennedy; c. Lollar.
Tigers: p. Houtman, Kretlow, Trucks; c. Robinson.
Washington Senators 10 14 1
Boston Red Sox 4 9 2
Senators: p. Calvert; c. Evans.
Red Sox: p. Kipper, Quienn; c. Tebbetts.
Philadelphia Athletics 3 9 0
New York Yankees 1 6 1
Athletics: p. Kellner; c. Rosar.
Yankees: p. Porterfield, Sanford; c. Berra.
Chicago White Sox 4 0 0
Cleveland Indians 2 9 1
White Sox: p. Gumpert; c. Tipton.
Indians: p. Gromek; c. Papish.
Feller; c. Hegan.
Chicago White Sox 1 7 1
(nightcap)
Cleveland Indians 2 4 1
White Sox: p. Pierce, Killeman; c. Tipton.
Indians: p. Paige; c. Hegan.

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Continental Soccer Teams Showing Improvement

London, May 29.

The recent Continental soccer tour by English teams showed that the gap which once existed between the standard of play in England and in the European countries has been so lessened as to be, in some cases, no gap at all.

It is probably still true to say that England's best team, playing well, could still beat any country in Europe, if not in the world, on a neutral ground, but it is equally true to say that whereas in the past an English side could afford to play below form and still scrape home, today this means certain defeat.

Furthermore, playing away from home, generally regarded as having a disadvantage of at least one if not two goals, means that no English team can feel complacent about any European team they meet. And they do not.

Hard Training
One has to travel round with English teams to appreciate just how hard they train on foreign tours in order to keep up the prestige of their country. They might feel that such tours are a holiday for services rendered to their country during the past season and that the main thing is to have a good time, while on tour, but that is just what English teams do not do, and they are to be greatly admired for the devotion to the job they have in hand.

The pity of all this is that here in England the public do not properly appreciate either the fine standard of play in Europe by leading teams like the Swedes, Italians, and French, to name but three, or how hard the English players train to win their matches on foreign tours.
The defeat of England by the Swedes was generally regarded in this country as a major blot on the English escutcheon and due to the fact that the English players had evidently been having a good time. A little more knowledge and consideration, and such people would have realised that the Swedes, the best amateurs in the world, are a very fine team and at all times take a considerable amount of beating by anyone.—Reuter.

TENNIS TEAMS

The following players have been selected to represent Indian Recreation Club in their tennis fixtures:

TODAY
"B" Team v HKCC: Omas Rumlajn and Hussein Rumlajn (Away); A.R. Kitchell and L.M. Omar (Away); K.M. Rumlajn and J. H. H. (Away).
TOMORROW
"C" Team v Club de Recreio: S.E.M. Dux and Wali Mohamed (at home); A.J. Hussein and D.M. Omar (at home); S.M. Rumlajn and F.A. Cureem (at home).

National League
R H E
Pittsburgh Pirates 2 11 0
St. Louis Cardinals 2 10 3
Pirates: p. Riddle, Muncrief; c. McCullough.
Cardinals: p. Brecheen, Hearn; c. Garagiola.
Boston Braves 2 5 1
Brooklyn Dodgers 3 6 0
Braves: p. Spahn; c. Masi.
Dodgers: p. Hatten; c. Campanella.
Cincinnati Reds 4 7 2
Chicago Cubs 1 4 2
Reds: p. Eratt; c. Howell.
Cubs: p. Chipman, Lado; c. A. Walker.
Cincinnati Reds 2 6 2
(nightcap)
Chicago Cubs 10 13 1
Reds: p. Wehmeir, Dobernie; c. Mueller.
Cubs: p. Dubiel, Kush; c. Walker.
New York Giants 4 11 0
Philadelphia Phillies 2 12 2
(15 innings)
Giants: p. Jones, Koozi; c. Cooper.
Phillies: p. Roberts, Trinkle, Constanty; c. Lopata.
New York Giants 3 8 0
(nightcap)
Philadelphia Phillies 0 1 2
Giants: p. Behrman; c. Livingston.
Phillies: p. Meyer, Bicknell; c. Seminick.

League Standings
New York, May 29.
Major League baseball standings (including Sunday's games):
AMERICAN LEAGUE
W L P
New York 24 11 .680
Philadelphia 21 17 .553
Boston 21 16 .569
Washington 20 18 .526
Detroit 19 18 .514
Chicago 18 19 .486
Cleveland 18 19 .486
St. Louis 15 25 .375
NATIONAL LEAGUE
W L P
New York 21 10 .680
Brooklyn 21 15 .581
Boston 21 16 .569
Cincinnati 20 17 .541
St. Louis 17 18 .486
Philadelphia 17 19 .472
Chicago 14 21 .400
Cleveland 10 25 .294
Pittsburgh 10 25 .294

In the League matches played during the week, both CRC and HKCC had no difficulty in accounting for their opponents. Both were not at full strength and appeared to be conserving their (formidable) talents for the vital match between them.
David Choy and Puiwai Choy, both formerly from Shanghai, improved in their last appearance.

Today's Matches
"B" Division (Men)
USBC v SCAA
Kowloon Tong "Blue" v CRC
"C" Division (Men)
KCC v Kowloon Tong "White"
RAFC v LRC
HKCC v LRC
Recreio v CCC
"B" Division (Ladies)
CRC v KCC
CCC v HKCC
LRC v USBC

De Pinna Wins Golf Prize

The first "Prize Sunday" of the Hong Kong Golf Club was held at Fanling. The prize was won by A. R. de Pinna. The competition was against bogey and the winner returned one down. Runner-up, W. G. Davidson, also returned one down but with the worse second nine.

The day was enlivened by a visit from the Police, who were kind enough to come and watch the players that a tiger had been sighted not so far from the course.

A list of competitions to be held during the summer months both at Fanling and Deep Water Bay is given below.

FANLING
June 4—5 Captains Cup Qualifying Round
June 11—12 Stableford
June 19 Prize Sunday
June 25—26 Bogey Pool
June 28—29 Captains Cup Qualifying Round
July 8—10 Stableford
July 17 Prize Sunday
July 23—24 Bogey Pool
July 29—31 Bogey, Foursomes
A.M.
August 6—7 Captains Cup Qualifying Round
Electric Competitions on Old and New Courses from June 1 to September 11.

DEEP WATER BAY
A handicap competition will be held during June, July and August. The three best net scores in June and July and the two best in August giving 8 in all will qualify to play off during September.

A mixed foursome knockout competition. Entries close June 1st. First round to be played by July.

The Deep Water Bay Championship will be held in September.

Good Start Made In HK Lawn Tennis League

(By SERVER)

A good start was made to the Colony Lawn Tennis League during the course of last week in all events except the Men's "B" and Ladies' "B" Divisions, which were inevitably postponed on account of the weather.

Twelve matches in all were played off with no major upsets being recorded.

The Colony's tennis players were rather fortunate in that there was only one rainy day during the whole playing week. In view of the fact that the Colony is now in the midst of its wet weather, there is bound to be a quick accumulation of postponed fixtures as the season progresses, resulting in deteriorating interest in the League games.

It has been suggested in some quarters, that the Association Committee could solve this problem by making up fixtures of such postponed matches to be played on Sunday or other weekdays on which the teams are not engaged.

A prominent as well as a most pleasing feature of the week's games was the large number of new players seen in competitive matches, both among ladies and men. With a few exceptions members of all the "C" Division teams were new to local tennis. The CRC and SCAA have both adopted probably the correct policy of blending their new talents with veterans of the game, thus giving them the much needed feeling of confidence.

Some of the promising new comers to the "C" Division are B. Saw of SCAA, B.M. Omar of IRC, and most of the CRC "B" team, while in the "A" Division prominent new comers are the two Choyas, David and Edward of SCAA, A. Fung of KCC and T.T. Lim of the University.

The ladies' Division has also produced their share of new talent in U.I. Beeching, R. Lo and V. Lo of the University, Mok Woon-king of CRC, and Violet Fowler of CCC. There are still a number of teams which have not played yet, and still a few who have not been seen in action by the writer. Doubtless more of these names will appear in due course.

In the League matches played during the week, both CRC and HKCC had no difficulty in accounting for their opponents. Both were not at full strength and appeared to be conserving their (formidable) talents for the vital match between them.

David Choy and Puiwai Choy, both formerly from Shanghai, improved in their last appearance.

Britain's Poor Showing In World Sport

London, May 29.

A 35-year-old Peer, Lord Mancroft, want on record this week as saying at a dinner: "Britain's performances since the war in the field of international sport have been nothing short of disastrous."

This Oxford University-educated barrister went on to say: "Here in Britain we tend to laugh this off, because we have always, rightly, regarded the game as more important than the result. Unfortunately, foreigners think differently and our lamentable performances are having a seriously adverse effect on our national prestige."

One wonders what foreigners think of this statement, and in take one instance, however for national prestige was damaged by the recent soccer tour of the Continent by an English team, even though the tour did begin with a defeat by Sweden.

One wonders if the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, who saw England beat France before the opening of the four-power Foreign Ministers Council conference in Paris, would subscribe to this view.

Lord Mancroft has missed one very important point.

He completely overlooks the fact that all sportsmen, whatever nationality they may be, appreciate sportsmanship, and that more national prestige is gained by an English team that loses gracefully than by a side which wins boastfully.

One can think of some nations whose prestige is not as high as Britain's whose successes in the field of sport are considerable.

Lord Mancroft went on to say that the food shortage has a great deal to do with Britain's poor performances, and added: "Until we can challenge foreigners on fairer terms we should be wise to restrict our appearances in the international arena. Our ratings at the moment do not justify it."

The food bogey can now be discounted. It has been generally agreed by the medical profession that the food is good enough if the player is good enough. And to take the recent soccer tour as an example, once again, would the Swedes have preferred us not to have played them, even though they did beat us, or would the Finns have rather had a better fed team to play in their Olympic Stadium?

The answer is obvious.—Reuter.

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